

#### By LIAT COLLINS

Hebron featured on the agenda of all the Knesset factions' weekly meetings yesterday, although MKs showed no sign of changing their opinions.

The Third Way, Yisrael Ba'aliya, Labor, Meretz and Shas still intend to support the agreement. Moledet and the National Religious Party oppose it, while other coalition factions are divid-

Third Way MKs met with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu in the evening. Netanyahu promised them the three further redeployments will be decided only by the government and will not include Greater blocs, settlement Jerusalem or the Jordan Valley. That persuaded the Third Way MKs to tell the premier they

would support the agreement. The Third Way also discussed its stand with Yisrael Ba'aliya. Yisrael Ba'aliya MKs met with Industry and Trade Minister Natan Sharansky, one of the party's two cabinet members. The

Hebron, settlement leaders lobby Knesset, Page 2

Immigration Minister other. Yuli Absorption Edelstein, opposes the agreement. Sharansky said it is too early to make a definitive decision as the agreement has yet to be finalized. but that bis party would support the agreement if it meets three conditioos: "Ensuring the safety and improving the living conditions of all Hebron residents; that any further steps be conditional on reciprocity and the Palestinians' fulfilling previous commitments; and that the interpretation of the three stages of the further redeployment be the Israeli interpretation and none other.'

The National Religious Party met with Tsomet to coordinate its approach. Both Tsomet and the NRP are demanding a meeting

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By DAVID MAKOVSKY, MINANUEL and SARAH HONIG moments of the talks, and at one point sources say Israelis, Palestinians and US officials engaged in a three-way shonting The dates for three, post-Hebron match. However, according to one IDF pullbacks from the West Bank

source; this was not serious. "I think with all the tension, peo-ple needed to vent so everybody Israelis and Palestinians; and notwas shouting," the source said. "I. bope we finish late tonight, but we just cannot be sure." ued all day yesterday as the nego-tiators drafted the Hebron accord.

Who's for, against and undecided in the cabinet, Page 2

policy.

1991 Madrid peace conference. These letters have never been disclosed, but are assumed to be an enunciation of US Middle East

focused than the Madrid letters. It

will state clearly how we see the

be a signatory. It remains unclear why Netanyahu is not planning to -sign, since he was part of the brokered deal along with Hussein. However, the Palestinians attach utmost significance to the fact that the US government will stand letters - while not called letters of guarantee - will be more

hopeful. Palestinian officials were Sources indicate that the signing of the pullback dates by the US less certain, but said agreement and not by the parties themselves was close. "We are trying to draft the protois due to the reluctance of Prime col, the implementation on Minister Binyamin Netanyahu to Hebron and the American letter.

This is time-consuming." said chief Palestinian negotiator Such

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Israeli officials insisted the Palestinians were at fault. Last oight Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai suggested the US should announce a time for the initialling ceremony this afternoon, hoping the announcement of a deadline would end what he believed to be Palestinian stalling. Tempers ran high at different

are likely to be put forward in sep-

arate US "letters of assorance" to

signed by the parties, a US official

Israelis and Palestinians were

reopening unspecified and per-

haps minor parts of the accord, but

said last night.

Some talks were held a Laromme Hotel last night, while There were indications that both another set of negotiators met at the Jerusalem home of US Consul-General Ed Abington.

peace process moving forward, As it stands now, the letters of including the fact that we see the third pullback concluding by the middle of 1998," the official said. assurance will be handed by the US to each side, but it is unclear whether each side will be informed what is in the other's letter, nor whether the letters will be made public alongside the official Hebron redeployment agreement. The last time the US drafted letters of assurance to Israelis and Palestinians was on the eve of the

US envoy Dennis Ross (left) and Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat confer atop Jerusalem's Laromme Hotel yesterday.

He suggested the letters would be different and apparently meant m assuage anxieties. The date for the conclusion of the third pullback was brokered by Jordan's King Hussein in sudden visits to Gaza and Tel Aviv on Sunday.

behind the pullbacks The US letters of assurance are not likely to be the only US documeots surrounding the Hebron pact. Apart from the Hebron deal itself, the US is likely to attach to the accord a public "oote for the record" which would outline other outstanding obligations by Israelis and Palestinians as part of the peace agreement.

Netanyahu and Mordechai estimated the Hebron agreement would be initialled today. Other officials, like Ahington were also

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## Shamir: GSS head lied to me in 'Bus 300 affair' lying. He didn't lie only to me, but m the state,

#### By MICHAL YUDELMAN

Former prime minister Yitzhak Shamir yesterday accused former General Security Service head Avraham Shalom of lying to him about the GSS's bearing to death two terrorists in what is known as the "Bus 300 affair."

Shamir was interviewed by Dan Margalit on Channel 1's Popolitika program last night, two days before Channel 1 is scheduled to broadcast the Bus No. 300 series about the terrorist attack on April 12, 1984, and the state inquiry

Last weekend, Yediot Aharonot's weekend which followed. magazine 7 Days published an interview with

Shalom four years ago, in which he admits that he gave the order to kill two terrorists who were caught alive, and reported everything to then-prime minister Shamir three days afterwards. Shamir vehemently denied knowing about

the terrorists' murder or having any part in the cover-up that followed, during the Zorea Commission's inquiry into the affair. "I had full confidence in Shalom, all the years. He was an excellent GSS head until this

failure. He failed in giving an illegal order and then lying. He never said to me, 'We finished them off,' never. The moment he lied, instead of saying he had given his men the order m kill the terrorists, he was caught and continued

stories to me, the prime minister. We train the GSS heads to use every lie and fraud necessary towards outside enemies, but inside they must tell only the truth. That's the law in the Mossad and the GSS." Shalom was forced to resign from the GSS in September 1986, a year after three senior GSS

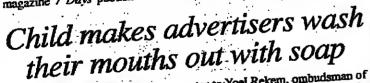
to his colleagues, and was entangled in an end-

Shamir also said it was inconceivable to him

that the GSS could be involved in "making up

less web of lies until he fell," Shamir said.

officials threatened to expose the affair unless he did and five months after the affair was first exposed on ITV.



### By ESTHER HECHT

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Nine-year-old Shachaf Zilberman of Moshava Kinneret was not amused by the jingle in the Dial soap commercial on Channel 2. In fact, she and her two siblings were so offended by the line, "If you've got children, you've got germs," she made her. mother promise not to buy the

Then she wrote to the National Council for the Child, a children's rights advocacy group, to express her disgust at the commercial. She ended her letter with a sharp. "Excuse me, but I'm not a germ. Council director Dr. Yitzhak

Kadman forwarded Shachaf's lei-

ter to Yoel Rekem, ombudsman of The Second Television and Radio Authority, and Rekem brought her complaint to the attention of Nahman Shai, the authority's director-general. Shai took the matter to the advertisers.

In a letter to Rekem, Shai said the aothority itself had initially nized the ad containing the offeosive line, but its advertising committee - in response to the sponsor's appeal - had reconsidered and allowed the ad

to stand. But Shachaf's complaint, he continued; coupled with the committee's reservations, apparently. wrought a change of heart in the sponsor, who decided to clean up its act and remove the offensive

Shachaf was very cavalier about line. her achievement.

"I don't think it's a great honor," sbe said yesterday. "I did it because [the ad] was insulting and presented children in a negative way. We're not germs."



#### NEWS



#### **MDA** selling first-aid kits for shelters

Magen David Adom has launched a campaign for the reducedprice purchase of first-aid kits means specially for home shelters. The campaign is open only to house committees that are members of the Association for Home Betterment (Aguda Letarbut Hadiyur). The contents of the kit were prepared after consultation with trauma and security experts, after lessons were learned from the Gulf war. The kits are available at all MDA stations with proof of membership in the association. MDA also bas askeu house committees to organize blood donations by residents of cooperaove buildings; if enough people register, MDA staffers will come to them. Justy Siegel

#### Hospital workers to apply sanctions

Government hospital workers will apply sanctions starting tomorrow morning, the union announced last night. Union chairman Batya Levy said the workers would apply sanctions in all the state hospitals without informing management or the pub-lic beforehand exactly where and what they will entail.

A committee headed by Yossi Cohen, the deputy head of wages in the Treasury, was convened with officials from the union, the Health and Finance Ministries and the Civil Service Commission. They decided "unanimously" on a list of additional staffers entitled to special duty allowances, and the workers are protesting because Cohen now refuses to approve them, Levy said. Judy Siegel

#### Bill on restricting monuments discussed

The Knesset Interior Committee discussed a hill yesterday by MK Ran Cohen (Meretz) which would ban the establishment of monuments to murderers. The bill, which passed preliminary reading last month, primarily is aimed at removing Baruch Goldstein's grave from a park in Kiryat Arba. Justice Ministry official Yehoshua Schoffman noted the problematic nature in this case because the grave is in Judea and Samaria, where Israeli clvil law is not in force. IDF representatives told the committee the military is examining different proposals which would stop the site from serving as a monument. Liat Collins

#### **Court OKs cancellation of Malevsky's passport**

The High Court of Justice has rejected businessman Anton Malevsky's petition against the revocation of his Israeli passport. Justices Tova Strasberg-Cohen, Tsevi Tal and Dalia Dorner ruled yesterday that the Interior Ministry's decision was substantive and reasonable, accepting the state's contention that Malevsky had fraudulently acquired citizenship by signing a false declaration in 1994 that he was oot wanted for crimes in Russia. The court also based its decision on classified police informatioo alleging that he is one of the leaders of organized crime in Russia.

#### S. Africa may sell tank equipment to Syria

South Africa is considering selling 3 billion rands (\$650 million) worth of tank firing control systems to Syria. Deputy. President-Thebo Mbeki is studying whether the sale would violate Washington's Counterterrorism Act, according to local press reports.

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## Settlers lobby ministers against Hebron pact

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#### By HERB KEINON

Hehron settlement heads and leaders of the Council of Jewish Communities in Judea, Samaria, and Gaza fanned out in the Knesset yesterday in a last-minute lobbying blitz. They were trying hard to mobilize enough cahinet votes to block a Hebron agreement they claim will ultimately lead to a withdrawal from the vast majority of the territories.

One group of Likud members of the settlement council met with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu, while other groups went to meetings of Tsomet, the National Religious Party, Shas, and Yisrael Ba'aliya.

"We will do everything we can to ensure that the cabinet opposes the decision the prime minister reached with the Palestinians and Americans," council chairman Pinhas Wallerstein said at the end of the meeting, where various proposals to fight the decisioo were aired. Proposals ranged from a hunger strike to round-the-clock vigils in front of the homes of various ministers, to mass resignaoons of the settlement leadership. The proposals represented a stark about-face from an

announcement by the council two weeks ago that it would begin organizing demonstrations in favor of the government. The council's zigzaggiog between calls for active support and opposition is an indication that it is at a loss as to which tactic better serves its goals. Aryeh Ofri, head of the

Shomron Regional Council, said the council's about-face occurred because settlement leaders feel that the premise they had been working on - that Netanyahu would go ahead with the Hebroo redeployment, but then "redo" the rest of the Oslo accords - was in

error. In addition to a decision to intensify lobbying efforts, the council also decided to hold a meeting tonight of all the heads and elected representatives of the settlements to decide oo further actioo. Wallersteio said that among the proposals to be discussed will be whether all settlement heads should resign, and whether general strikes should be declared in the settlements.

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The proposal for mass resignations was broached at the meeting by Ariel Local Council bead Ron Karnei Shomron Local Council, opposed it, saying: "We cannot say that we support Eretz Yisrael Nahman, "What we need to do," Nahman said, "is to go to Netanyahu and say that we are only if we get it all, and that if we handing back the keys. What we don't we are just going to leave are doing now is just treading it." He said that the council must water, while the sword dangles hold onto every house and every settlement, and not throw up its above us. I did not support Netanyahu and this government so hands and "hand back the keys." The meeting took place amid a crisis atmosphere, with several speakers saying that if the govern-ment commits itself to the three. they could carry out the Oslo

agreements." Nahman said that large demonstrations and other protest acts arestages of redeployment after "not worth half a ceot. What we Hebron, Judea and Samaria will. need is something that will shake up the whole system." be lost.

Hebroo itself came up very little This approach did oot, however,

ment is for Hébron, the further redeployment stages bode even worse for the rest of the territones.

She said that although a Labor government would likely have ensured that settlement blocks remain under Israeli control, she is not so sure about what will happen under the preseot government. "The difference is that Labor had. an opposition on the right headed. by Netanyahn; this government

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ment signs the agreement, the council must work with it. "But if it does approve the agreement, it is [Shimon] Peres's government, even worse. Now it is still an address, and there is no need [yet] for blocking roads or civil disobedience.'

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Instead, Ha'etzoi proposed "laying siege" to the homes of "rele-.vant ministers," by bringing protesters to their homes and demonstrating around the clock! This, Ha'etzni said, "is called personal, moral, and ideological pressure."

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Tzahi Hanegbi (Likud) - Only

last week he declared that he was -

undecided and would vote against

the Hebron deal if it were linked

CHAMBERLAIN SHIMON PERES BI NETANNALL Women in Green leader Nadia Matar (right) leads some 20 right-wing activists, including Moledet MK Rehavam Ze'evi (center), in a protest yesterday against the impending Hebron agreement in front of Jerusaiem's Laromine Hotel, where much of the negotiat-(Brian Hendler

ing is taking place.

receive unanimous approval. in the meeting, an indication that Yehuda Lieberman, head of the most of the council has come to most of the council has come to said grips with the inevitability of a ... Kiryat Arba activist Elyakim redeployment in the city. Orit Ha'etzni said that until the govern-Shtruck, one of Hebron's leaders, said that as bad as the redeploy-

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#### By SARAH HONIG

Around Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu there is a calm air of confidence that he will get his deal with Arafat past the cabinet hurdle. Netanyahu, it is asserted, already has a majority and even in the unlikely event of a tie, he can break it with his double

But talk aside, Netanyahu tried very hard yesterday to make sure be will encounter no unpleasant surprises. He spent plenty of time meeting with ministers to bring them up to date on the latest developments, in the hope that the delay he won in the final pullback will win him more support in the cabinet. He also promised them that he will show them the draft agreement, when it is finally formulat-

All this did not much change the basic picture from what it has been for the past few weeks. Here is the lineup;

#### AGAINST

Diehard Oslo opponents Ze'ev Begin (Likud) - The latest "improvements" Netanyahu has made in the deal have only deepened Begin's opposition. "What will be left to negotiate"



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territory is there is no doubt he will cast a nay in Arafat's hands?" he asks. vote, "but I would at least like to Will we then do a little givesee the agreement. All we have and-take on Jerusalem or on returning refugees, just to save the deal?" heard so far does not begin to take us out of the dark. We were promised that we will have the

Ariel Sharon (Likud) - He is peeved at not being consulted. despite his expertise, and charges that "The deal will expose the

of to the danger of slaughter. while Arafat will demand the further withdrawals but stay in have undertaken to make. If we refuse, he will un-

leash violence from superior positions and the world will side with

ment. OL whether we leave the coalition altogether." Pragmatic opponents Rafael Eitan (Tsomet) - He,

opportunity to study this agree-

ment in detail before it is ini-

Yitzhak Levy (NRP) - His sole

too, has complained about not even being heard out, despite his military background. Yesterday he added that "All the newest details of the agreement do not change the basic fact that this agreement will mean the end of the Zionist endeavor of the settlements, that it will endan-

ger the Jews of Hebron. that it will eodaoger the resiof Israel's heartland, and that it will speed the creation a

Palestinian state, which will sow havoc in this land." Yali Edelstein (Yisrael Ba'aliya) - Netanyahu met with

him yesterday in an effort to sway him, but Edelstein remained unconvinced, "precisely because 1 support the peace objective. But we must not sign something for the sake of signing. We must be



are irrelevant, because this will explode in our faces before then." Limor Livnat (Likud) Because of her deep Revisionist ideological roots, she probably agonized more than others due to her closeness to Netanyahu, "1 cannot vote for an agreement which would imperil Jews in



ments of the previous government, but this deal is not good enough."

UNDECIDED This group could include as many as six ministers, if we take

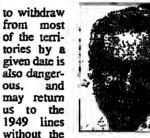
their words at face value. If we don't, we can reduce this group to a minimum of two.

Natan Sharansky (Yisrael Ba'aliya) - "We can't be expected to go through all the pullback obases on



our obligations under the agreement are. Where is the emphasis on reciprocity in the implementation of the agreement?"

Moshe Katsav (Likud) - "I am very torn and doo't know if I am satisfied sufficiently that the Jewish community in Hebron has been safeguarded and that it can grow and develop. Undertaking



real peace we desire." His brother and sister-in-law have recently moved to Hebron.

FOR Binyamin Netanyahu - For public con-

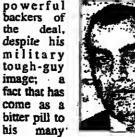


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law now endows him with a dou-ble tie-breaker vote. David Levy - Has supported a

Oslo agreement all along, even before the electioos. and in many ways has positiooed himself consisteotly to Netanyahu's

Yitzhak Mordechai- He is one of the most



fans among the Likud hawks. Dan Meridor - He has always been considered a leading Likud dove and is the left's favorite Likudnik. Yesterday be expressed unreserved support for the deal, saying, "Sure, it hurts us all, but things have changed and we cannot ignore this and pretend that they have not. We had opposed the

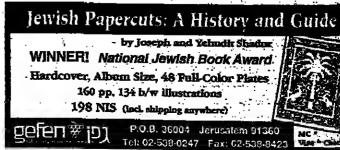


PROBABLE Eli Snissa and Eli Yishai (Shas) - Both have a stock answer: They will do as their mentor Rabbi Ovadia Yosef

instructs them. But. true to Shas form, Yosef has been issuing contradictory signals geared to keep everybody guess-The ing. bet, however, is that in the end (perhaps

with the added incentive of various promises uocomected with Hebron); the two will vote for the deal

Avigdor Kahalani (The Third Way) - Last night he said he "tends" to support the deal, though he has various reservations, which several hours earlier led him to declare himself undecided. His vote, he argued, depends on not harming the settlements, especially in the Etzion Bloc and the Jordan Valley; on







to further withdrawals, adding he would not be the only. minister to do so from among those counted as supporting the deal. However .... he is close. 0 Netanyahn -

and his recent embarrassment over the failed appointment of a new attorney-general has weakened him and he might be less likely to take Netanyahu on. Yehoshua Matza (Likud) - He is the newest cabinet member and, although a veteran Herutnik, he is Secti as 100 .

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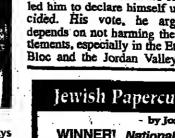
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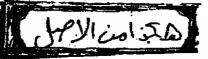


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#### By LIAT COLLENS and DAVID RUDGE

The Knesset rejected a no-confidence motion last night, 35 to 53 with one abstention. Hadash filed the motion over the budget crisis

in Arab municipalities. Hadash MK Salah Salim said the municipalities are on the verge of collapse.

"The strike in the Arab municipalities has entered its second month. Hundreds of workers have not received their wages and the whole system is about to break down," Salim said. "The Arabmunicipalities permanently suffer from marked budgetary discrimi-nation compared to the Jewish settlements and never receive what they deserve in real terms compared to their needs."

He said the Finance Ministry's solutions are only temporary and

do not solve the problems. Salim said the municipalities would continue to use all legal means possible to fight for the situation to be rectified.

Interior Minister Eli Suissa, m his response; said the situation of most local authorities is unsatisfactory.

All sectors are coping with budget problems, including the Arab local councils," he said.

Suissa presented figures to show fliat grants to Arab local authorities had grown between 1991 and 1996 by 282% and stand at NIS 516 millioo.

"It's true there are gaps, but these cannot be fixed in one go because the government cannot afford the expense and the authorities are not built to handle a huge badget increase in one go. Responsibility dictates a gradual monitored policy over time," Suissa said.

agan ne nert et trage 🗒 The plenum discussion started. low key, but heated tip when Moledet leader Rehavam Ze'evi started to blast the government over its political policy, but not its handling of Arab local authorities. Ze'evi explained his abstention by saying he had no confidence in the government . "You are liars. You are weak.

You are cowards. You lack a political backbone and don't know what you want - other than to be in power," Ze'evi stated from the Meanwhile, striking:Arab:compodiuma : 2

cil heads are continuing their campaign to press the government to



### Russian immigrants irate over lost savings

Russian immigrants swindled out of their savings demonstrate opposite the Finance Ministry vesterday with empty suitcases showing they have nothing left. They are demanding a meeting with the ministerial committee meant to solve the problem created when government agencies recommended unscrupulous companies to transfer their funds here. (Ariel Jerozolimska)

## Yisrael Ba'aliya: We'll reject budget if immigrant doctors are dismissed

#### BY BATSHEVA TSUR

The Yiscael Ba'aliya faction. made its support for the state budget-conditional on continued funding for immigrant doctors, the facspokesman said yesterday. Yisrael Ba'aliya yesterday sent decision to dismiss the 500 docmgent cables to the prime minister and to the finance and health ministers, demanding that the decision to dismiss 500 immigrant doctors be revoked.

giveo during the budget debates," the cable reads. "They were a condition for our support for the bud-get. This irresponsible decision will lead to irreparable damage not only to the absorption of immigrants, but to the entire health system." The faction warned that the

Edelstein will meet tomorrow with the finance and health ministers over the issue. Edelstein said last night he would forgo any pay rises coming to him.

Meanwhile, Health Minister Ychoshua Matza has blamed Finance Minister Dan Meridor for

# Quake rocks North, coast

services, as well as the seismolog-

ical center, received numerous

calls from the public. "It was certainly felt throughout

the length of the country and peo-

ple reported that the quake had

shaken and rattled objects," said

Ministry, which is responsible for

"It was also felt along the coasi-

line of the Mediterranean basio

from southern Turkey to Egypt,

but there were no immediate

reports of any injuries or damage.

"An after-shock of similar

strength was felt and registered

the seismological institute.

he said.

By DAVID RUDGE

An earthquake rocked parts of the North at midday yesterday and was felt along the country's coast as far south as Ashkelon. The quake's epicenter was close to that of the one that hit in October.

There were no reports of any injuries or damage here, although in some places the tremor was strong enough to shake buildings and rattle doors and windows.

The seismological insuitute in Holon reported that the earthquake registered 6.2 on the Richter scale and that its epicenter was about 70 kilometers south of Cyprus around 300 km, from the northern coast. Normally, this would be sufficient to cause damage even from such a long way off. Experts noted, however, that the center

around 12:45 p.m. again without, was deep in the bedrock several kilometers below the sea, which apparently, causing any injuries or helped 10 miugate the effects. damage. Even so, police and emergency

On October 9, a similar earthquake, which registered 6.4 on the Richter scale, also shook the country, as well as Cyprus and other parts of the Mediterranean basin. Its epicenter was close to that of yesterday's quake.

According to experts, the region has been a center of seismological Ra'anan Gissim, spokesman for the National Infrastructure activity for millions of years. They wouldn't rule out the prospect of more quakes from the same areas.

There was no connection, however, with the earthquake which shook Eilat and parts of Egypt and Jordan over a year ago, causing extensive damage and casualties. The epicenter of that shock was in the Gulf of Eilat region, south of the holiday resort city.

Rain answers prayers

flooding in low-lying areas.

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low-level mark.

Religious leaders throughout the

country have held prayers for ram

in light of the drought that has

where reservoirs are virtually

empty, have already lost millions

of shekels worth of field crops

because seeds have dried up in the

The north has been less badly

effected, although farmers have

expressed growing concern over

their field crops and the ripening

of winter fruits which need water

Kinneret has been steadily drop-

ping throughout the winter and is

now only 1.40 metres from its

The level of water in the

#### By DAVID RUDGE

Rain swept many parts of the country last night, breaking the winter drought and answering the pravers of farmers and religious

leaders. The rainfall, which took weather forecasters by surprise, was heavy in places and was expected to continue until this morning.

The wintry weather, which has been conspicuous by its absence most of the season, had been expected later in the week. Signs of its sudden advent caused the meteorological service to update the forecast - less than an hour before the rain actually started to

fall. The earlier forecast had been for unseasonably hot and dry weather, with the possibility of light rain in Eilat and the Arava region yesterday evening.

By 4 p.m., however, with the rain clouds already sweeping into Sunday to discuss the situation, the north and central regions, the

changes in the management of water resources, despite the

Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan is expected to defer taking any decision on officially declaring a drought -- which would enable farmers to be compensated for lost crops - for a few more weeks in the hope that the winter will still pro-

forecast is for the overnight rain to die out in the course of today and be replaced by partly cloudy weather.

The winter, however, is slated to return in the course of totight or early tomorrow morning, accompanied by a marked drop in temperatures and heavy rain which will turn to snow on Mt. Hermoo. The cold, wet front, which according to the forecast will be felt in most parts of the country, is Hydrological experts met expected to last through to Friday morning.

## Weizmann research may lead to new generation of

forecast was changed to the but decided not to recommend any prospect of heavy showers, isolated thunderstorms and the risk of

drought so far this winter. afflicted the country over the past Farmers, especially in the south

duce at least average rainfall. In the meantime, the updated

bail-out their debt-ridden loc authorities after rejecting a compromise solution.

Another one-day closure of schools, kindergartens and municipal services in the 54 Arab towns and villages is planned for Thursday, Similar action was taken last Thursday, prompting a meeting between representatives of the striking council leaders and Tourism Minister Moshe Katsay. Katsav, who is also the minister responsible for Arab affairs, proposed at the meeting that the Arab councils would be allocated a further NIS 160m. for regular budgets, spread over three years, and an additional NIS 40m. for development projects.

We were very disappointed that the minister's proposal did not relate whatsoever to the higgest problem of the councils the accumulated deficits – and this is primarily why we rejected it," said Hussein Suleiman, spokesman for the forum of Arab Council Heads.

Suleiman noted that the councils had together accumulated debis of NIS 420m.

This is a blatant violation of the finance minister's commitments **ACRI petitions High Court on Hammer's** 

By EVELYN GORDON

The Association for Civil Rights in Israel petitioned

the High Court of Justice yesterday against Education Minister Zevulun Hammer's decision to delay the

The program, part of Educational TV's Open Cards

series, was supposed to be shown in November, but

Hammer delayed it, ostensibly so that he could

review it bimself. No screening date has yet been set,

however, and last week his spokesman told the

Knesset Committee on the Status of Women that the

delay occurred because Hammer felt the program's

The petition argued that the education minister has

no authority to interfere with the programming on

screening of a program on homosexual youth.

tors who are specializing "will undermine the relations within the coalition." The faction added that it would consider taking legal

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delaying TV show on homosexuals

the decision to dismiss the 500 doctors, saying that the latter failed to find an appropriate bud-

Educational TV as he has authority only over admin-

Furthermore, it said, Hammer's decision to delay

The petition also noted that about one-third of

teenage suicides are related to homosexuality. A pro-

gram that will enable homosexual teenagers to realize

that they are not alone and give heterosexuals an

understanding of their homosexual peers is therefore

ACRI filed the petition together with two other

organizations: The Lesbian Feminist Community

(Klaf) and the Association for the Protection of

Individual Rights of Homosexuals, Lesbians and

the program constitutes censorship, which violates

istrative matters, such as budgets.

very important, it said.

Bisexuals in Israel.

the principle of freedom of expression.

The Israel Medical Association has declared a work dispute over the dismissals,

## **Alzheimer's drugs**

By JUDY SIEGEL

Weizmann Institute research is likely to advance the development of new drugs for Alzheimer's disease. A study, reported on in the January issue of Nature Structural Biology, demonstrates exactly how a substance from a moss used for centuries in Chinese folk medicine blocks a brain enzyme that may be involved in this common

type of fatal dementia. Prof. Joel Sussman, Dr. Michael Harel, Prof. Israel Silman and graduate student Mia Raves, all of the Rehovot institute, worked in close collaboration with Prof. Kozikowsky of Alan

Georgetown Washington's Georgetown University and Dr. Yuan-Ping Pang of the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Florida.

The team determined the threedimensional structure of a complex comprising the natural substance Huperzine A (HupA) and the enzyme acetylcholinesterase enzyme (AChE). HupA is extracted from being investigated in China and the Huperria serrata moss used in elsewhere as a possible China in a medicine called Qian

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Ceng Ta. Solving the puzzle involving the structure revealed a strikingly good fit between HupA and the enzyme and may, they suggest, provide a possible starting point for designing a new, improved genera-non of Alzheimer drugs.

"It's as if this natural substance were ingeniously designed to fit into the exact spot in AChE where it will do the most good," noted Sussman, a crystallographer. According to one theory, Alzheimer's patients' memory

loss and other cognitive deficits are due to degeneration of nerve cells, which normally release the neurotransmitter. When there is too little AChE, the shortage is compounded by the action of the AChE, which breaks down the neurotransmitter acetylcholine. Two drugs recently approved by the US Food and Drug Administration for Alzheimer's tacrine and E2020 - work by inhibiting AChE. HupA also inhibits AChE, but has a different chemical structure and is currently

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Alzheimer's drug. The fact that the HupA and AChE are so perfectly suited means that the Chinese herb could be potent even in small quantities and produce minimal side effects, said Silman, a neurochemist. In any case, HupA has very low tox-

icity. The scientists worked with highquality crystals of AchE derived from the torpedo, an electric fish that is one of the richest sources of the enzyme. Since there is very great similarity in the amino-acid sequence of torpedo and human AChE, it is likely that the torpedo's 3-D structure is a very good model of the human enzyme, he continued.

The HupA-AChE binding study was supported by the US Army Research and Development Command, the Weizmann Institute's Kimmelman Center for Bimolecular Structure and Assembly and the Scientific Cooperation of the European Union with Third Mediterranean Countries through the Ministry of Science.

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## Knesset Committee for Science and Technology makes its debut, endorses Itzik as chairman

#### By LIAT COLLINS

The Knesset Committee for Science and Technology at its inaugural meeting yesterday endorsed the appointment of MK. Dalia Itzik (Labor) as chairman. Science and Technology Minister Ze'ev Begin (Likud) addressed the committee and stressed its importance, saying the country must exploit the full potential science has to offer.

Arab sector, saying there is great potential there, too.

message is inappropriate for youth.

Today, out of 5,000 academic staff [in the sciences] only 25 are Arab researchers. This is an unhealthy situation and we must make an effort to promote the employment of researchers from the Arab population;" Begin said.

Industry and Trade Minister Sharansky (Yisrael Natan

Begin made special mention of the Ba'aliya) said the desire to study, ized the Jewish people throughout history. He noted the contribution of the mass immigration from the former Soviet Unioo, saying it had doubled the number of engineers and scientists in Israel, giving the country one of the highest ratios of scientists in the world.

Science Ministry Director-General Zvi Yanai said the gov-ernment's allocations in the field

lack balance. Out of the total allocation to research and development, he said, only g percent goes to research infrastructure serving the development of new technologies, in contrast to 20 percent in most developed countries.

MK Michael Nudelman (Yisrael Ba'aliya), who is scheduled to replace Itzik in the chair after two years, stressed the need to use science and technology to protect the environment.

## Traffic accidents kill four Nigerian pilgrims barred

#### By DAVID RUDGE

Four people were killed and two others were injured, one of them critically, on the country's roads yesterday. The fatalities, in three accidents,

ple killed on the roads since the beginning of the year.

Two persons died when a pickup truck crashed head-on into a car on the Shfaram-Nazareth road. Police said the pickup veered out of its lane, apparently to overtake a car in front of it, and crashed into the oncoming CAL

The driver of the pickup, Sasson Shmueli, 39. of Moshav Tzipori,

and one of the car passengers, Salah Hujerat, 57, of the Beduin village Bir al-Maksur, were killed. Two of Hujerat's sons, one of whom was driving the car, were

hadly injured. On the road from Arad to the Dead Sea, a 47-year-old truck driver from Ashdod was fatally injured after he lost cootrol of his vehicle and it veered off the road, overturned, and fell 15

meters. A woman in her 50s died yesterday at Petah Tikva's Rabin Medical Center-Beilinson Campus, of injuries sustained that afternoon when she was hit by a taxi while trying to cross the Ge'a Highway. Itim contributed to this report.

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back on the first airplane bring-By HAIM SHAPIRO ing pilgrims. On Sunday night; she said, the first such flight arrived and the Ministry

from Israel

Interior announced yesterday that it is stopping all pilgrimage traffic

from Nigeria. The ministry took the step of refosing to grant visas to further pilgrins, ministry spokesperson Tova Elinson said, after the charter alrine which brings the pilgrims refused to take back to Nigeria a group of illegal Nigerian workers who are presently being detained here. According to Elinson, the Nigerian government had agreed earlier to take this group

detainces were waiting at the airport. However, after a delay, the ambassador refused to allow illegal immigrants from Nigeria has been delayed for several

them onto the aircraft and it took off without them. She said that the expulsion of

months because there is no direct air link between the two countries and no Enropean country is, willing to allow Nigerians in, even as transit passengers.

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## Sudan mobilizes after rebel attacks

KHARTOUM (AP) - Sudanese President Omar el-Bashir yesterday called for a mobilization of the army and civilian milina after rebel forces attacked mwns on the Sudan-Ethiopia border.

A statement issued by the palace early in the morning said the forces must "defend ... the homeland and deter the enemies of Islam and humanity."

The statement used the phrase "jihad."

Sudan's state-run radio and television were carrying only patriouc music yesterday, and several demonstrations were held in the capital in support of el-Bashir's call. Several hundred people were at each rally.

The mobilization came after rebels of John Garang's Sudan People's Liberation Army on Sunday attacked the Sudanese towns of Kurmuk and Qasan near the Ethiopian border, apparently wresting control from the Sudanese army.

The two towns are about 600 km southeast of the Sudanese capital Khartoum.

A statement issued early yesterday by the Sudanese armed forces' general command accused Ethiopia of fighting with the Sudanese opposition.

A dispatch from Egypt's Middle East News Agency said the fighting for the towns Sunday involved "different kinds of artillery" fired from inside Ethiopian territory and lasted for six hours, died down then resumed for another four hours.

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Cyprus," US State Department

official Carey Cananaugh said

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months.

There were no immediate reports of casualties from the remote region.

The Sudanese rebels appareotly managed to occupy a large swath around the border towns in Blue Nile state, MENA said.

Sudan has an active military force of about 89,000 and paramilitary units known as the Popular Defense Force of about 15,000 men. The militia's reserve is about 60,000 strong.

The Sudan People's Liberation Army has been fighting since 1983 to try to win autonomy for the South's Christians and animists from the Islamic North. More than 1.3 million people have died in the fighting and resulting

El-Bashir, who took power in a military coup in 1989, has vowed to end the uprising. He has made inroads into Garang's following by offering peace agreements to some of Garang's commanders and promising to enact a new constitution that would give the southerners exemptions from Islamic

law. Sudan has increasingly accused neighboring countries of interven-ing on behalf of the rebels in Sudan

Relations between Sudan and Ethiopia have soured since Ethiopia and Egypt accused Sudan of involvement in an attempt on the life of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in June 1995 in the Ethiopian capital Addis Abaha. Sudan has denied

## ANALYSIS Unrest in Serbia, Bulgaria stirs former comrades

#### By ALISON SHALE

VIENNA - Almost eight weeks of anti-government protests in Serbia have helped spark a similar revolt in Bulgaria, stirring emotions and memories of 1989's upheavals across the former Soviet bloc. "A new revolutionary wave is sweeping through southeastern Europe," said Sandor Lezsak, head of Hungary's main opposition party, the Hungarian Democratic Forum, which has sent a delegation to join Belgrade's protests.

Belgrade students and opposition supporters across Serbia have confronted and circunvented heavily armed riot police. Serbia's protests have been largely peace-ful, but one demonstrator died after being

The latest protests echo the 1989 revolts that ousted hard-line Communist governmenus in several East European countries. For those who also endured decades of harsh communist rule, admiration is tinged with great personal emotion.

"Those Yugoslavs, they are great," said

Boris Malkus, a 77-year-old Moscow engi-neer, after weeks of daily coverage on Russian television of the Belgrade protests. Talk of Belgrade's protests dominated Sofia for weeks before outrage with the government of former Communists, a wave of new price hikes and general poverty drove people into the streets there, too.

In both countries, the ravaged economy has stoked anger. Serbia has declined rapidly under a regime that bankrolled wars in Croatia and Bosnia

and resulted in international sanctions. Bulgaria has descended inm virtual bankruptcy under the government of ex-Communists in power since December 1994. Many workers in Serbia have not received wages for months. Bulgaria's average monthly wage, hammered by 300 percent inflation and the daily fall of the leva national currency, is the equivalent of around S20.

Students in Belgrade have lent many of the engaging touches to the Serbian protests: costumes and masks of despised leaders; walking like prisoners; distributing

flowers m police. Sofia's students borrowed many of those touches when they joined Bulgaria's protests Sunday.

Those protests had turned nasty already

on their fourth day, Friday. A wave of anger propelled demonstrators into parliament. Police firing guns and wield ing batons then injured scores when they beat a path out for legislators trapped inside." The violence carried its own message to

other East Europeans. Discussing how President Boris Yeltsin's health problems destabilize Russia's fragile post-Communist system, the host of Russia's influential Itogi weekly news pro-

gram, Yevgeny Kiselov, pointed to the Bulgarian unrest as an example of how things can spin out of control. Some former Communist countries - the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland - appear

well on the way to free market democracy. But they see in the unrest a mirror image of their own 1989 revolts, which were not completed in the Balkans.

Neo-Communists remained in power m

Serbia, Bulgaria and Romania, and ex-Communist general Franjo Tudiman heads an authoritarian nationalist government in Croatia.

Those who have endured authoritarian rule know that they are only a stroke of forame away from being in the same predicament as Serbs and Bulgarians.

Czech President Vaclav Havel said he was watching events in Belgrade "very carefully." "I see many parallels with what we have been doing, and I guess it is clear which side I am on, where my heart is. It is on the side of freedom, democracy ... and I support everything that that goes in that direction in Serbia."

Hungary's government and the opposition party also insisted that Serbian leaders espect democratic rules.

In Romania, the one Balkan country where anti-Communists won power through the ballot box last November, citizens are preoccupied with changes. The government says it will have to raise prices and impose more hardships if it is to bring genuine change.

> President says diplomat has drunk driving history

TBILISI (AP) - The Georgian diplomat blamed for a fatal-car crash in Washington has a history of drunk driving, President Eduard Shevardnadze revealed yesterday. Shevardnadze has said that if U.S. investigators find sufficient evidence against the official, he is prepared to waive diplomatic immunity for Gueorgui Makharadze, the No. 2 envoy at the Georgian Embassy in Washington. "My decision is tough, but I think it's fair and correct,"

Shevardnadze said in his regular yesterday radio address. "I regret to say he was also involved in other serious (traffic)

violations. According to my information, he was fined three times for drunk driving," he said. Police say Makharadze, may have been going as fast as 80 miles per hour (130 kilometers per hour) near Washington's Embassy Row when he was involved in a five-car crash Jan. 4 that killed Jovianne Waltrick of Kensington,

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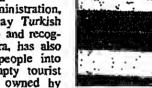
Two demonstrators show their support for Paula Jones outside the US Supreme Court building in Washington yesterday. Reuter

**Envoy: No crisis in Cyprus** NICOSIA (Reuter) - A US "You cannot show a weapon that envoy said yesterday there was no has a range of 150 to 160 km as a crisis in Cyprus because its govdefensive system. This is not ernment had assured him it would

> Denktash's administration, declared a breakaway Turkish Cypriot state in 1983 and recognised only hy Ankara, has also said it will move people into Varosha, a now empty tourist resort once mainly owned hy Greek Cypriots but now in Turkisb held territory.

President Glafcos Clerides yesterday morning. Turkey - which has occupied the Cavanaugh said be had not asked Clerides to cancel the purchase, which was criticised by Washington, but had been assured during their one-hour meeting it would not be deployed soon. What he (Clerides) did do though, and I find this very helpful, is he gave us assurances that not a single component of those missile systems will be brought to this island in the next 16 months," Cavanaugh said. The Cypriot government has refused to back down on the deal, saying the missiles are needed to defend the majority Greek Cypriot-populated south of the island if there is an air raid by Turkey. It says 16 months is ample time for international mediators to concentrate on a political settlement to the long-standing Cyprus dispute. It has however said the installation of the system will go **book** ahead if progress towards a solution or demilitarization - a key component of the solution - of the whole of the island is not achieved

acceptable and it cannot be taken lightly," Karadayi said.





northern third of the island since 1974 - threatened military action several times last week to stop deployment of the S-300 system which the Cypriot government said it would acquire from Russia. Cavanaugh, director of the State Department's Southern European Affairs Department, made the comments before travelling north of the ceasefire line slicing through the island for talks with Rauf Denktash, the Turkish Cypriot leader.

Turkey's armed forces chief, General Ismail Hakki Karadayi, arrived in northern Cyprus yesterday saying Greek Cypriot plans were the "culmination of provocation and over-militarization."

"Let no one forget what the real purpose is," he told reporters.

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WASHINGTON (AP) - Hoping of the federal government."

to head off a major embarrassment until he leaves office. President Clinton is asking the Supreme Court to delay a lawsuit that accuses him of sexually harassing a woman in 1991.

Just one week before Clinton's second-term inauguration, the justices yesterday were weighing whether Paula Jones can pursue her claim now or must wait until the president becomes a private citizen in four years.

'What's at stake bere is reputation," said Joseph Cammarata, a lawyer for Jones. Appearing yesterday on ABC television, broadcast nationwide, he said: "She wants her good name and reputation restored." Clinton is arguing that more is at

"The president, unlike any other

federal official, has the sole responsibility for an entire branch Clinton's lawyer, Robert S. Bennett, said in court papers seek-

ing to delay Jones' suit. "Even if a president ultimately prevails, protracted personal damages litigation would make it impossible for him to devote his undivided energies to one of the most demanding jobs in the world." Bennett said.

An attorney for Jones, Gilbert K. Davis, said in court papers that the former Arkansas state employee is entitled to her day in court now.

The Constitution's framers "did not intend to place the president above the law, and thus did not confer upon presidents any personal privileges akin to those of a monarch," Davis wrote.

The crowd of people who room in 1991 when he was goverbraved frigid temperatures for a nor of Arkansas. She says he chance to be one of about 100 exposed himself and that she can admitted into public identify "distinguishing character-

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seating was far smaller than other highly publicized cases. The court bans television and radio cover-30 age of its courtroom proceedings, hut by early morning eight news media satellite trucks were parked outside to facilitate from-tbe-scene

reports. Paula Jones The justices are expected to decide by (Reuter) July whether Clinton

- already enmeshed in Whitewater and fund-raising investigations -also must answer Jones' lawsuit while in office. Jones says Clinton proposi-

tioned her in a Little Rock hotel duties.

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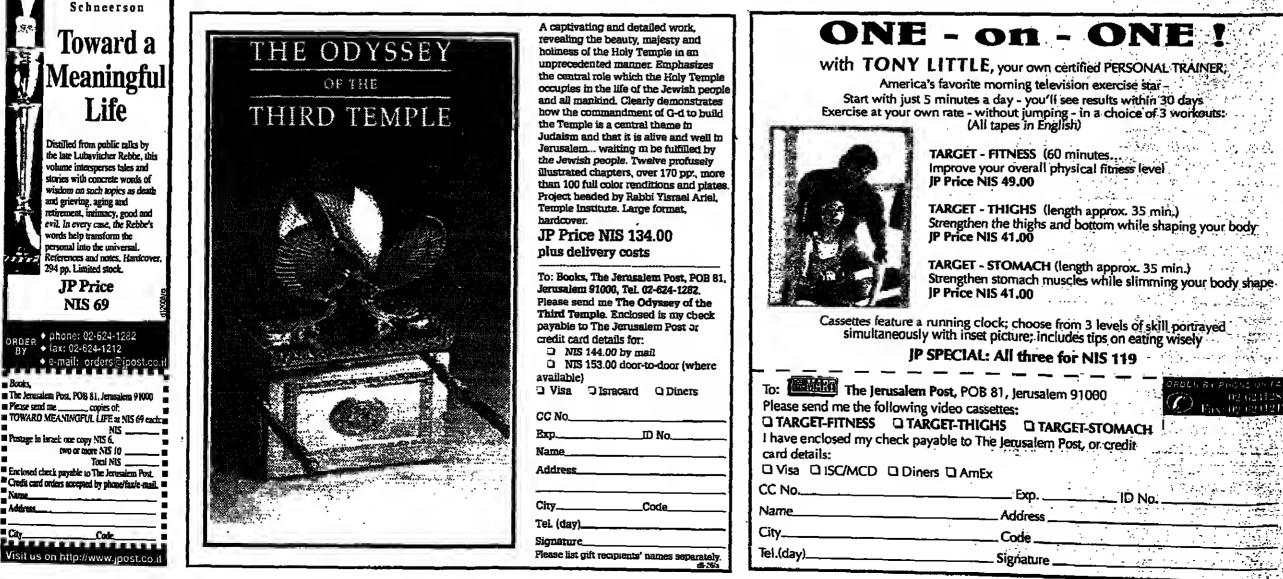
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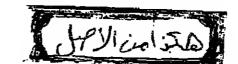
U.S. prosecutors have said Makharadze could be charged with negligent homicide or second-degree murder

"When the investigation is over, we'll be able to make a conclusion on the degree of his guilt."

Over weekend. Shevardnadze issued a statement over the weekend saying it was time to rethink the entire system of diplomatic immunity.

1994 and is seeking \$700,000 in The president's lawyer tried enjoys immunity from prosecution, but the United States asked unsuccessfully to negotiate a settlement before Jones sued. Georgia to waive the immunity. Shevardnadze says he is prepared The Supreme Court ruled in 1982 that presidents cannot be to do so. sued for damages involving their "For me, the moral aspect of the official duties, even after they leave office. The prospect of such lawsuits could harm a presmatter is more important than any conventions and agreements under which diplomats are entitled to privileges," said Shevaninadze, a former Soviet foreign minister. ident's decision-making, the But the justices have never said the whether a sitting president can be forced to answer a lawsuit over acts unrelated to his official





Shevardnadze said. As a diplomat, Makharadze



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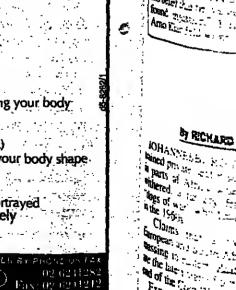
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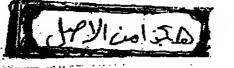
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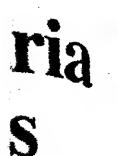


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#### Back on dry land

Rescued British yachtsman Tony Bullimore (left) pats French yachtsman Thierry Dubois on the head after the two were returned safely to Frematic, Western Anstralia aboard frigate HMAS Adelaide yesterday. The two solo round-the-world sailors were saved by the Australian Navy last Thursday after their respective yachts capsized in the southern ocean off Antarctica. Dubois was thrown a life raft by an Australian rescue aircraft and waited for the naval rescue task force to arrive, Builimore survived for four days in an air pocket in the uptorned hull of his yacht and swam out when the rescuers arrived.

## Gunshots fired in Peru hostage compound

#### By JOSEPH B. FRAZIER

LIMA (AP) ~ About a dozen gunshots were fired yesterday inside the Japanese ambassador's compound where leftist terrorists are holding 74 hostages. No one was injured. Police guarding the compound dove for cover and drew their weapons when the shots rang out only minutes after a Red Cross repre-

sentative left the residence. It was the largest burst of gunfire since the Tupac Amaru terrorists stormed the compound Dec. 17. On two previous occasions, the rebels fired a few shots in predawn hours in what Red Cross officials later were told were warning shots. On Dec. 26, an explosion was blamed on one of the ambassador's dogs; it mipped a land mine and was killed No unusual activity was seen inside the com-

"pound after the shots were fired. The Red. that key demand since taking over the resi-Cross representative, Michel Minnig, went dence, and Fujimon just as firmly says he back inside the residence, came out and said no ... won't give in to it. one was manee. The redeis and government ocgonator Asked the reason for the shots, he answered, Domingo Palermo had tentatively agreed to "We are trying to figure that out." We are trying to figure that out." Hours earlier, the rebels had demanded a televisioo interview to respond to a government proposal to form a peace commission to oversee negotiations. oners."

The government didn't immediately comment on the demand, which was contained in a sign posted by the rebels at the residence.

The rebels had asked for the interview with a local television station, Channel 4. The station 'said it was ready to send a news crcw into the compound with the government's permissioo. Yesterday's ganfire also coincided with the

arrival of Ecuadorian President Abdala Bucaram in Lima, the first-ever visit to Peru by an Ecuadorian head of state. President Alberto Fujimori had greeted Bucaram at Lima's airport shortly before the shots were fired. Hopes for the first real progress in weeks in Peru's hostage crisis crumbled Sunday when

the terrorists demanded that the government produce a plan to free hundreds of jailed comrades. - The Tupac Amaru terrorists have been firm in

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1989 before they could be tried as Nam collaborators

He quoted the terrorists as saying that "otherwise it is preferable that the meeting not take - because there would be nothing to nlace" discuss.

Palermo said he sent hack the proposal to form a commission to help negotiate a settlement. The panel would be composed of representatives from the government, the rebels, the Red Cross and the Roman Catholic Church. It would agree on a place for negotiations and an agenda which would include "all themes identified in previous contacts," Palermo said.

He didn't answer questions of whether that included the freeing of rebel prisoners. Japanese Prime Minister Ryuraro Hashimoto

yesterday urged a resumption of talks, but said Japan had "full confidence" in Peru's handling of the standoff.

The rebels took more than 500 hostages .... when they stormed a cocktail party held to cetcorate the birthday of the Japanese emperor. -They have released most of their captives in

## Arab newspaper in London, UN blitzed by letter bombs

Two letter bombs addressed to an Arabic-language newspaper was found at the United Nations yesterday, leading to the evacuauon of at least two floors of the 38-story headquarters.

In London, two security guards were injured when another letter bomb exploded at the office of the same newspaper.

Two other suspicious devices was found and taken away by New York City police, officials said. UN officials said they did not know if they too were bombs.

The first letter bomb, a single sheet greeting card, was addressed to the Al-Huyot newspaper and found in a second-floor mailroom. UN spokesman Fred Eckhard said.

The UN had stepped up security at the complex overlooking the East River in midtown Manhattan following an explosion earlier yesterday in the London mailroom of Al-Havor, which is owned by members of the Saudi royal family. Of the two people injured, one was serious, police said.

The managing editor of Al-Hoyot in London, Khairallah Khairallah, said two letter bomhs addressed to the paper's UN bureau were intercepted hy guards after they were X-rayed and appeared suspicious.

"Obviously they contained bomhs," Khairallah said from London. "We don't see any reason why this is happening."

cleared the second and third floor, where many news organizations

staff and news organizations to report any suspicious packages because eight letter bombs were sent to US addresses earlier this month. Five of the bombs were addressed 01

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Washington offices. Two were received at the federal prison in Leavenworth, Kansas, and a third was intercepted at the Leavenworth post office. None exploded.

US officials are invesogating whether the letter bombs were mailed by supporters of Omar Abdel-Rahman, an Egyptian Moslem cleric convicted in a US court in 1995 of conspiring to blow up New York landmarks. including the UN

Three of Abdel-Rahman's nine co-defendants are serving terms in the federal prison at Leavenworth. He is serving a life sentence in a Springfield, Missouri, prison. Four more suspect devices were

later found at the London offices of the newspaper and made safe with controlled explosions. "The building is being examined to ensure there are no further

explosive devices amongst the mail," said police superintendent Derrick Kellegher. The Saudi ambassador in

London issued a statement condemning the attack. "This is a criminal, cowardly act which illustrates the mentality of the perpetrators," said ambassador Ghazi Algosaibi. "Those who can-

not face ideas resort to bombs." Al-Hayat editor Jihad Khazen said the attack had come without warning.

"Nohody threatened us or demanded anything," he said, Al-Hayat's office in Washington was the target of a letter bomh blitz in the United States earlier

this month. The FBI is conducting an international investigation after eight letter bombs made to look like Christmas cards were mailed from Egypt to the United States. The

more bombs in the mail. None of the potentially lethal devices exploded. Five were addressed to Al-Hoyat in Washington - four arrived and one was found in the postal system - and three turned up in the area around Leavenworth federal prison in Kansas.

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Khazen said the bomb which exploded at his office carried a postmark from Alexandria in Egypt, as did some of those found in the US

The FBI has dismissed as "speculative" the reports of a possible connection between the letter bombs and the bombing of the World Trade Center.

US.media reports said the letter bombs found there were made of Semtex plastic explosive. Police were not immediately able to specify the kind of explosive used in London.

The first letter bomb exploded in the basement of the building in the Hammersmith area of west London.

Journalists working for Al-Hayat were unable to say why the

paper had been targeted, "We feel very disturbed, very worried," said journalist Kamaran Karradachi.

Al-Hayat installed screening machinery to cbeck mail and put staff on alert after the Washington letter bombs, staff said.

One of the two security guards injured in the blast received face and abdominal injuries while the second suffered hurst eardrums and shock, police said.

Bomh experts from the police anti-terrorist squad, along with ambulance services and firefighters, were at the scene.

Police said the building was evacnated and surrounding streets were Al-Hayor's bureau warned that there may be cordoned off. (News Agencies) 

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meet on Sunday. But Palermo said no meeting was held after the rebels, in a message sent via the Red Cross, insisted that he "bring a proposal for the liberation of the (Tupac Amaru) pris-

Daicnes, some large, some small The last release - of seven hostages - took place Jan. 1.

Minnig, head of the International Red Cross program in Peru, visited the residence Sunday. "The only thing I can tell you is the hostages are fine," he said afterwards.

### Belarus executed 38 in 1996

MINSK (AP) - Belarus executed 38 convicted murderers in 1996, all by a shot to the head, officials said vesterday.

year and the rest in 1994-1995. officials in the prosecutor's office told the Interfax news agency. The Supreme Court of the former

Soviet republic last year commuted the death sentences of six people to 15 years in prison, the report said. A Supreme Court judge, Igor Andreyev, warned last fall that the Council of Europe, the continent's leading human rights organization, may refuse to admit Belarus executed 40 people in 1994 and 46 m

1995, according to Andreyev. Meanwhile in neighboring Lithuania, Interior Minister Vidmantas Zemelius, urged President Algirdas suspended capital punishment in July as part of his efforts to improve ties with Western Europe. But the move is controversial in the former Soviet republic and must still be approved by parliament,

letter FRANKFURT (Reuter) German Jewish leader Ignatz Bubis yesterday dismissed as "insulting" accusations from American celebrities that

Germany has been oppressing Scientologists in the same way

that Hitler persecuted Jews. Speaking at a reception for his 70th birthday, Bubis told several hundred guests including Chancellor Helmut Kohl that such a charge was an affront to the memory of those who had perished and suffered in the Holocaust.

The controversial letter that compared contemporary Germany with Nazi Germany was published as a full-page advertisement in the also the trap that Peres prepared

Scientology as a threat to democracy. The federal and regional governments agreed last month to a series of steps to counter what they called the Scientologiats' "expansionist aims and claim to **Continued from Page 1** 

with the prime minister. MKs criticized the steering committee of Netanyahu, Foreign Minister David Levy and Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai for incloding talks on the further redeployments in the agreement.

Transportation Minister Yitzhak Levy (NRP) said his inclination is still to vote against the agreement in the government, hut the party would not leave the coalition. "The NRP is more use inside

the government than out of it," Levy said.

NRP facoon chairman Hanan Porat said the party should try to topple the government to allow new general elections. Knesset Law Committee chairman Shaul Yahalom said the NRP is trying to form as broad a consensus as possible in the government and Knesset against the accords, but he stopped short of agreeing with Porat on bringing the government down: "We have to consider the alternative. The Oslo Accords are

Agriculture and Environment Minister Rapbael Eitan (Tsomet) also said he still intends to vote against the Hebron agreement in

for Netanyahu."

both the government and the Knesset. However, most Tsomet MKs rejected the proposal by Deputy Educatioo Minister Moshe Peled to leave the coalition if the Hebron accord passes.

At the Labor faction meeting, MK Ehud Barak, a candidate for the Labor leadership, said US pressure would force Netanyahu to agree on three dates for the redeployments.

"This means that the prime minister cannot try to avoid the commitment to the Oslo Accords," Barak said.

Meretz leader Yossi Sarid said his party would support the Hebron agreement and an agreement on the further redeployment and "would avoid bringing the government down on this issue." "Wheo the prime minister final-

ly goes in the right direction, we won't be the ones to stick a foot out and make him fall down,' Sarid said.

#### PULLBACK

#### **Continued from Page 1**

Erekat. "Most of the socking points have been solved. We will make every possible effort to try to finalize as soon as possible." The meeting of the Palestinian leadership ended with a statement apeaking of the "success of the Egyptian, Jordanian, American, Israeli and Palestinian efforts to pusb forward the negotiating process toward reaching full agreement on Hebron and further redeployment and continuation of negotiations on remaining issues. including prisoners, safe passage. airport, harbor, ecocomic and financial affairs."

Arafat refused to say when the agreement would be signed.

A bomb scare at the Laromme Hotel disrupted the the fical runup to the agreement last night, two hours after the talks resumed following the hreak for the Ramadan evening meal. Palestinian negotiators were hustled out of the hotel and a bomb squad dog was brought in.

Meanwhile, Netanyahu did not succeed yesterday in winning more ministerial votes for his deal with Arafat, bot oot for lack of effort. He phoned some ministers and met with others, but things remained largely what they had been for the past few weeks, when the deal seemed about to be initialled.

#### As things stood last night, he had the support of nine of the ministers, including himself. Four are unequivocal proponents of the deal and the rest will vote with him because they cannot say no for various reasons. Seveo ministers are sure to say no and two are still straddling the fence.

Netanyahn spent most of his time trying to influence waverers and the less dogmatic. But Industry and Trade Minister Natan Sharansky emerged with the same doubts he entertained when he entered the meeting. Tourism Minister Moshe Katsav, reached by phone, told Netanyahu the issue was too weighty for the telephone and insisted on seeing a

copy of the agreement. Netanyahu's ooly possible claim to success was with the Third Way's Avigdor Kahalani, who said he was inclined to support the deal after Netanyahu reportedly promised that settlements in the Etzion Bloc and the Jordan Valley would not be hurt, there would be no return to pre-June 1967 lines and The Third Way would be in on drawing the lines of future withdrawals, He warned that if any of these preconditions are oot met, The Third Way would alter its stance.

Ministers continued to complain at not being made privy to details, and Netanyahu promised they would see the draft prior to the cabinet vote.

Papera's trial would allow his innocence, saying he secrific France to examine Nichy's role in a few lews to save others. Amo Klarsfeld wrote. Dogs of war still hunt in Africa BY RICHARD MEARES JOHANNESBURG (Reuter) - Welltrained private-sector soldiers are operating in parts of Africa where state power has withered, a far cry from the swaggering "dogs of war" who fought on the continent

cd on Thursday losiphoid an card-er ming ordering Manife Papon. 86, to stand trial for cimics against. humanity committed from 1942 to 1944, when he was a high-hubing a police supervisor in Bonleant.

Jews to Nazi death camps In a letter dated Oct. 21, 1996

and made public yesterday, a:

Holocanst survivor group asked a:

state prosecutor to prevent Papoo

from fleeing Prance. "Maprice Papon on several

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in the 1960s. Claims that a "White Legion" of European and South African mercenaries is massing in castern Zaire to fight its rebels are the latest sign of a trend triggered by the

end of the Cold War. Experts say Russia, the United States and European colonial powers - France aside are no longer ready to dive into conflicts on a poor and strategically mimportant conment, so its rulers have to turn to the free market to fight off foes.

We are seeing a privatization of war and security, it is actually a worldwide trend. The state no longer has the monopoly on armed violence," said Richard Cornwell of the Africa Institute think-tank in Pretoria.

Multinationals doing business in Africa are also using their own resources to protect installations, enforce regulations and discipline staff on compounds little touched by

local laws. Companies up in Africa basically take their own private armies with them to places where state control is non-existent. It's almost like (last century's colonial) chartered companies are back, Cecil Rhodes

etc.," Conwell said. "Most of these company armies, and it only takes a couple of hundred men, could knock the socks off the national forces."

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Mercenaries, private armies and security firms are today's armed helpers. You can find many of them in the Yellow Pages.

Most are a far cry from the charismatic "dogs of war" such as "Mad" Mike Hoare who hlustered into Africa to fight civil wars that followed independence in the 1960s.

Even "Colonel" Bob Denard, the veteran French mercenary who tried to overthrow the Comoro Islands government in 1995, says he has out down his guns for a quiet life.

Disillusioned, often oddball Western foot soldiers like those who stumbled into Yugoslavia's wars are little to be seen in Africa. Here, it is well-trained professionals - from elite units such as Britain's SAS -who are in demand.

One such Briton, working for a security

firm in Angola, said a good salary was about \$3,000 a mooth. Companies are ofteo paid in kind, with mining concessions in the areas they help secure. The best-skilled individuals, who know

how to operate sophisticated weaponry, sell their services freelance to firms, rebels or states who will pay.

Well-trained Africans now join their Western, and even Gurkha, counterparts on the circuit. Many serve as bodyguards for presidents too suspicious of their own nationals.

The line is blurred between mercenaries and staff of security firms offering services such as helicopter gunships.

Executive Outcomes, Africa's hestknown private army which helped Angola and Sierra Leone fight off rebel threats, constantly fight the "mercenary" label often attached to them.

"We do something totally different --- we train armies at the request of governments, said the company's head, Eeben Barlow.

"We train armies with their own equipment. We're only selling skills. But we do reserve a right to defend ourselves."

Barlow, whose company is staffed by

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special-force soldiers who fought for apartheid South Africa, denied he was working with Zaire's ailing ruler, Mobutu Sese Seko, to toughen up his weak army which has lost eastern borderlands to a rebel force,

Executive Outcomes helped bring peace to Sierra Leone and Angola, with an estimated 500-plus men each time, but analysts fear mercenaries may prolong the Zaire/Great Lakes conflict if they become involved on both sides.

A Zairean opposition party said on Thursday some 300 French, Belgian and South African mercenaries were in Zaire to help Mobum, 700 more had been recruited and Paris, no longer politically able to send its own troops to Zaire, was paying.

France, which has some 8,000 troops in Africa and has rup into US criticism for what some call a neocolonialist attitude to francophone Africa, denies any involvemeot.

Political analysts said Western governments and intelligence services, happy when someone else does the dirty work in faraway conflicts, have often given support to mercenary adventures. (Reuter)

Paris-based International Herald Tribune newspaper last week. It was signed by Dustin Hoffman, Goldie Hawn, Oliver Stone, Gore Vidal and other figures. Germany views the Church of

domination."

Nine of them were convicted last

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**OPINION** 

THE other day there was a demonstration in Nablus

15,000, who engaged in calls for

The next day a similar rally was

held at Bir-Zeit University near

Ramallah; this one featured the sim-

ulated blowing up of an Israeli bus. The Israeli Left had nothing to

say about these events. But it

jumped into another round of exco-

riation of Prime Minister Netanyahu, this time over his

abortive choice of attorney-general.

also strongly condemned Rabbi

Eliezer Waldman for calling oo

religious soldiers to disobey

orders to withdraw from West

Bank locatioos; implicated

Israel's national- religious school

system in the action of extremist

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pened at Nablus and Bir-Zeit?

dancing on roofs? Can we assume

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SRAEL'S familiarity with the

Arab world is unique among "Western" countries, yet our

policy-makers have repeatedly

failed to translate it into effective

policy. The result is that Israel has

paid dearly over the last quarter-

century for a number of basic mis-

In 1973, it thought the Arab

states would never attack because

of their strategic inferiority; in

1982, it thought it could alter the

regional order at Palestinian and

Syrian expense; and in 1987 it

believed that the 20-year status

quo in the West Bank and Gaza

could be maintained indeficitely,

In less than six months, the

Netanyahu government has made

an honorable contribution to this

catalogue of faulty and dangerous

Misconception No. 1: The

Palestinian issue carries little

weight in Arab states' policy cal-

To be sure, once Arafat had

signed agreements with Israel.

there was no reason for most Arab

tic and inter-Arab reasons.

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tensions with Syria are all warning

signs of a perilous slide back

than with Jordan. Netanyahu mis-

takenly thought that the peace

treaty and Jordan's ongoing fear of

Palesunian nationalism would

result in an and-PLO alliance,

including on the issue of Jerusalem.

Instead, the government's loose

talk of expanding settlements and

In recent weeks the Left has

further terrorist attacks on Israel.

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## Royal statesmanship

that should set an example for another would-be leader of the peace process, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. By visiting Gaza and Tel Aviv, the king risked his personal prestige and, unlike his attendance at the soap Washington summit last October, the risk bas apparently paid off.

One must not forget that Hussein traveled to Tel Aviv at a time when the mood in Jordan is far from enthusiastic about peace with IsraeL Just last week, the first Israeli trade fair in Amman met with such protest that it took a massive police presence to keep order. The path of least resistance - which is the path of most leaders - would have been to sit back, wait, and not risk the antagonism that upstaging Egypt, which has been playing a mostly negative role in the talks of late, might cause.

Indeed, instead of attempting to bridge gaps between the Palestinians and Israel, Egypt seems at times to be "more Palestinian than thou" - urging Arafat oot to compromise in the negotiatioos. The Egyptians, for example, said that it would not be acceptable to them if the Palestinians compromised on the Oslo dates for further redeployments or on a Palestinian Police preseoce in Hebron's Machpela Cave.

According to former ambassador Itamar Rabinovich, in a weekend article in Yediot Aharonot, the Egyptians are deliberately attempling to keep the peace process on a low burner. If it is going too well, they move to slow it down; if they think it is about to fall apart, they belp bring il back from the brink.

This approach is dangerous. The peace process is not on such solid footing that it can afford a major player such as Egypt dragging on it from the outside. The Egyplians must be challenged with the question, "Who's afraid of peace?" Not King Hussein, who realizes that even a pot on a low burner will boil over after a while.

Meanwhile, some members of the coalition . seem to have just now gottlenarbund to reading / build a national consensus, as be should, there the Oslo agreement - and the prime minister's lips. The requirement for three further redeployments, increasing Palestinian control over the rural areas where two-thirds of the Palestinians live, is written in black and white in the Oslo agreement. And Prime Mioister Binyamio

UNDAY'S bold mission by Jordan's King Hussein was an act of true statesmanship substantial achievement for both sides and for the health of the pact as a whole. Netanyahu has the health of the pact as a whole. Netanyahu has managed to postpooe the final redeployment by almost a year from the date built into Oslo. Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has managed to lock the new government into the principle of redeployments, and into a specific date.

The redeployments are still slated to conclude before the May 1999 end date for final status talks, which is not to Israel's advantage. But the iostability caused by forcing Israel to give up most of its territorial cards before final status talks have taken bold has been significantly reduced. To diehard opponents of Oslo this may not seem like much, but it is a serious achievement for someone working himself out of a diplomatic hole.

The shrill cries from coalition members that Oslo's redeployments will lead Israel to a return to the 1967 borders are unfounded. There might well bave been a greater risk of this under the previous government, but eveo then it would not

have been because of the redeployments alone. Oslo's provision claiming that the interim pbase dictates nothing regarding final status is disingenuous, but oeither is the opposite true. The borders and degree of sovereignty of the Palestinian entity are still very much to be determined, and the legacy of the interim agreement is only one item influencing the outcome.

The most important factor going into the final status talks is the degree of uruty within Israel. While it can be helpful for Netanyahu to have some opposition from his right flank, opposition can be constructive or destructive. The cabinet's right wing needs to come up with realistic ways of making the best of the reality of Oslo, rather than acting at every turn as if Oslo can be ignored.

The opposition can also do its part by putting the interests of the country - and of peace above the temptation to worsen the government's position at every opportunity. If Netanyabu comes forward and tries in earnest to will be opposition voices seeking to spurn him, arguing privately that Labor should not "bail Bibi out." This would be a tragic choice.

King Hussein this week demonstrated the power of statesmanship to make a difference in a world in which none of the outcomes is guar-



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## A selective myopia

such gross displays cease?

What if, instead of handfuls of Israelis praying quietly at Goldstein's grave, 30,000 of them (there are about twice as many Israelis as Palestinians in Israel and the territories) were to hold a

> While the Left a blind eye to Palestinian barbarism

the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine are flourwhich they simulated his murder-Noam Friedman, who went on a ous rampage in the Macbpela shooting spree in Hebron; and protested the placement of the Cave and gleefully promised furgravesite of Israeli mass murderer ther such attacks on Palestinians? Baruch Goldstein at the eotrance Imagine, moreover, such a vally being held in broad dayto Kiryat Arba and the treatments of the spot as a shrine by small light, on Israeli territory (at a university, no less!), yet not elic-These are all legitimate critiiting a peep of protest from the cisms. But why isn't the Left prime minister, or anyone in his more disturbed about what hapgovernment.

sions, any reasonable extrapola-Sarid and his frieods would tion would conclude that things Back at the time of the Gulf have plenty to say about such an will get far worse ooce he condon't normally commit plagiarism, but occasionally

another journalist has an idea so good that it's worth ripping off and spreading around the planet immediately. Such a one is David Nicholson-

Get real

**GWYNNE DYER** 

Lord, who recently phoned up British bookmakers William Hilland asked them to quote the odds on 10 different ways for the world to end.

William Hill set to work polling the experts, and the results were splashed across a recent Sunday magazine of the Independent.

Interestingly, the trendiest new ways for the world to end got the shortest shrift. Overpopulation. for example, was given odds of 25 million-to-one against. That means if you laid a bet of 10 pounds sterling on that proposi-oon with William Hill today and turned out to be right, they would \_... pay you a quarter of a billion pounds when it bappens.

Are they being generous, or just cuming? Well, if you coo-sider how the bookies have defined the end of the world, you begio to see the method in their. madness.

They would only have to pay out if, between oow and the year 2097, the world fell to a populanon of only 1,000 people.

Fair enough. You could hardly say the world has ended if there are sull tens of thousands of people in it. But this definition does let William Hill off the hook a little, for it's very hard to get down from six billion people to only one thousand by any known means.

Amoog the disasters that might do it, the final cause quite literally cannot be over-population. Only · a much more specific calamity like war or pestilence could get us down below a billion .

or two. The same logic relegates a couple of other favourite doomsday scenarios to the also-rans. Pollution is a million-to-one against, drought is 100,000-toone against, and climate change. and famine both come in at 75,000-to-one against.

#### The end of the human race? it's unlikely

MAL IL BURALLI VILL BURGH These phenomena may cause us buge problems during the next century, bringing vast misery and mass death, but it's hard to see bow any of them could wipe oot the human race. Indeed, at a more billion or two people, they would almost automatically cease to be problems. What about the fashionable "coming global anarcby"? William Hill assesses that at 50,000-to-one against (generous; to my mind, as it's even harder to ... see how anarchy could wipe everybody out). And there's the end of the world through the catural processes of the universe - the sun goes nova, we are sucked into a giant black hole, there is another Big Bang - which they

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Pestilence does even better-

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Is this just wild speculation untamed by market discipline,

since William Hill know they

would never really have to pay

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#### **P. DAVID HORNIK** L marking a year since the death of "The Engineer" Yihye worded protest to Yasser Arafat, Ayyash, the Palestinian responsible warning him that the peace for the murder of over 50 Israelis. It process cannot continue unless drew an estimated crowd of

memorial rally for Goldstein in

treats the Right as the enemy, it turns

Netanyahu has clearly expressed his inteotion to anteed. President Mubarak should take note that abide by Oslo. Yet members of the National Religious Party and the Third Way are expressing shock that Netanyahu would now commit to a specific date for the critical third redeployment: August, 1998.

it is not possible to lead with one foot on the gas and the other on the brakes. Israel's own leaders - on both sides of the political spectrum should learn that the political courage it takes to forge consensus could well pay off; not just for The fact is that the agreement on this date is a their party, but for the country and the region.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR **I**

#### MINISTRY OF INFORMATION

Sir, - It is now a matter of utmost urgency that a ministry of information be established. It should be headed by someone of outstanding stature who must be supported by experienced staff appointed for ability rather than political background.

Sir, - In Yosef Goell's report on the recent Japan-Israel dialogue, The Rising Sun in the Holy Land" (December 20), the Japanese mind is revealed. Professor lokibe compares the mass suicide of the Masada defenders with Japan's World War II kamikaze suicide pilots. Then Tadashi Yamamoto

Sir, - So now we have it. their cities or into and out of Israel Netanyahu has no intention or ability to stop the Oslo process. Sooo there will be another two or three million Arabs living in Judea and Samana. They will clamor for water and work rights inside Israel. They will be fully armed with the most modern of weapons. The Jews of Judea and Samaria will not be able to travel between

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Sir. - As a gentile and a Biblebelieving Christian, 1 am frequently angered by un-Christian statements directed against the Jewish State by church leaders. Two recent examples: the full-page advert in The New York Times on December 2t in which American clerics called on their president to pressure Israel into redividing Jerusalem and, also in December, a letter sent to Prime Minister Netanyahu containing the viciously anti-Israel resolutions adopted by the 208th General Assembly (1996) of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

But what I found as distressing, if oot more so, were the treacherous statements made against their own prime minister by left-wing Israelis, Hemi Shalev, Meton Benvenisti, David Landau and Ehud Barak in interviews with CNN's Jerrold Kessel broadcast on January 3.

For every breach - or alleged breach - of the Oslo agreements, Israel is excoriated internationally; those of the Palestinians are little known or ignored. There is no international outcry at the Palestinians' breaches of Oslo.

This is not surprising when Israel

#### THE JAPANESE MIND

expresses a Japanese "empathy for Israel based on a sense of a shared burden of being vicums of atrocities t the Holocaust of Hiroshima)." What both men omit is that Japan

was the aggressor in World War II. Furthermore, Mr. Yamamoto did noi speak about Japanese atrocioes in World War II. Jerusalem.

#### DISASTER

safely. The Jews in border towns will similarly be exposed. Israel is faced with two choices: either slow and methodical destruction in its entirety, led by the

leftist media, Arafat and Clinton, Or there will be a biner war. Netanyahu's election was so promising. His remarkable speak-

#### TREACHEROUS STATEMENTS

Almost every Israeli knows that global networks like CNN and the BBC have for years abused their enormous communications powers when it comes to shaping the world's perceptions of, and opinions about Israel. Along with ABC's Peter Jennings, and the BBC's Lize Dousset, CNN's Kessel and Walter Rodgers are among the worst. And yet, seemingly uncaring, or

otherwise hugely ignorant, of how their statements must have appeared to millions of viewers around the world, these four Israelis circled like vultures around the man chosen by over 50 percent of their fellow countrymen to be Israel's leader - and, whether they like it or not, is thus their prime minister - and stuck knife after verbal knife into his back, openly

attacking his policies and his performance before Israel's enemies Jerusalem.

Jerusale m. Was Hiroshima an atrocity? Those of us who served in the US Armed Forces remember that it was the atom bomb which

does not protest loudly about them.

the task of an Israel ministry of infor-

mation. The prime minister's call for

better public relations support from

DAVID BIER

his fellow ministers is no substitute.

This, besides much else, should be

caused the Japanese to surrender, thus preventing an estimated 100,000-500,000 US casualties. CHAIM LANGERT

gence was supposed to explain the Jewish side of the story, the true bistory of Judea and Samaria. Finally, we had an avenue to the world's press to rebut the noosense being spread by Arafai and Crew. What a disappointment, what a

disaster for the Jewish people! DAVID GITEL ing ability coupled with his intelli-New York, N.Y.

> across the globe, much to Mr. Kessel's barely concealed delight. These Israelis, along with the misguided "Women in Black" who are. as 1 write, protesting across the street against their country's "occupation" of what the world calls "Arab lands." would do well to remember that when Adolf Hitler set out to do away with the Jews, he did not differentiate for one moment between the devout Zionists, the ultra-Orthodox, the secular, or even the completely assimilated. They were Jews, and as Jews they went to Auschwitz together. Messrs. Shalev, Barak, Benvenist and Landau. and all the other similar Israelis should not forget that they, too, are perceived as being just as Jewish io the eves of a largely Jew-hating world.

STAN GOODENOUGH

War, Palestinians in Nablus and (unimaginable) outrage.

elsewhere danced on roofs in Confrooted with such argujubilation over Iraqi Scud attacks meots, left-wingers sometimes explain that the purpose of the As 1 recall, left-wing leader peace process is actually separa-Yossi Sarid reacted with indignation. If many Palestinians harbor tion, saying that Palestinians such batred of us, they say, wby "would have to look for him" should we want to rule over them? Why not have a clean, final MK Sarid: Isn't blowing up a divorce?

model of an Israeli bus, while But if it were really that simple, we could withdraw unilaterally cheering wildly, eveo worse than from Judea and Samaria and be done with the Palestinians - some-

Mess of misconceptions

BRUCE MADDY-WEITZMAN

altering the Oslo framework and, especially, the opening of the Hasmonean tunnel, drove Jordan back into Palestinian and Arab arms. Misconception No. 2: Israel is merely a bystander in the curreot struggle between moderate, pragmatic forces in the Arab world and extremist, mostly Islamic funda-mentalist ones - which, according

The Netanyahu government may be starting to learn that faulty thinking has its price

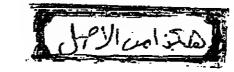
to Prime Minister Netanyahu in a recent Ha arerz interview, are already the stronger.

In fact, any Islamic fundamentalist version of the old American "domino theory" has already been proven false; no Arab regime is in danger of being swept away by an "Islamic ode."

domestic struggles will ultimately be determined from within the Arab world, and only over an extended time period; however, progress toward a durable Arab-Israeli settlement is a necessary condition for Arab governments, serving as a springboard for closer political and economic ties with the West. These, in turn, will buy them time to address Nowhere was the government's their acute domestic problems. failed conception more apparent

Thus, contrary to government thinking, Israel's policies, and the course of Arab-Israeli relations, will contribute to the outcome of the modemist- fundamentalist struggle in the Arab world.

This makes it in Israel's overriding interest to see the peace process through to its conclusion.



trols far more land, his army is much larger, and he oo longer has eveo an ostensible need to win brownie points.

At that point, even the Israeli Left might discover that there are worse things in beaven and on earth than Rabbi Waldman's controversial edicts and the premier's dubious appointmeots. But it will be too late.

thing no one in Israel advocates.

Nablus and Ramallah are not, after

all, remote reaches of "Greater

THE whole purpose of the tortu-

ous, US-mediated negotiations is

to devise arrangements whereby

Israelis can supposedly live with a

modicum of security after entrust-

At the present pivotal stage of

the process, where the main issue

is no longer Hebron, but whether

srael will withdraw from virtual-

ly all the territories by late 1997.

1998, or 1999, the Left needs to

decide whether its real enemies

are the over 50 percent of Israelis

who are deeply suspicious of this

process, or the Palestinian and

Arab hatred and violence that cre-

The writing is on the wall. Three

years after the "historic" peace

ceremony on the White House

lawn, Hamas, Islamic Jihad, and

ishing on Palestinian Authority

soil. Arafat himself keeps calling

for jihad, and his "police force" is

already an army of at least 50,000.

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incentives to behave well so as to

encourage further Israeli conces-

If this is the situation now,

ate that suspicion.

ing the territories to Arafal.

Israel"; they are our backyard.

The author is a writer and translator living in Jerusalem.

Misconception No. 3: The Middle East's inherent instability and likely eventual nuclearization necessitates Israel's refraining from additional territorial concessions:

However, the West Bank and Golan Heights provide oo protection whatsoever from Syrian, Iraqi or Iranian missiles. Achieving formal contractual peace with adequate security arrangements and incrementally deepening Arab-Israeli economic and societal links will belp insulate Israel from whatever negative regional devel-

opments might arise. Ending the state of war with its Arab neighbors will significantly reduce the temptation of Iran or Iraq to exploit the Arab-Israeli arena for their owo ends. Misconceptioo No. 4: Israel's Arab citizens' "inevitable" irredentist and Islamist aspirations can only be contained by blocking the creation of a Palestinian state.

But the failure to achieve a comprehensive Arab-Israeli peace and the resulting strengthening of radical and Islamist tendencies throughout the region and in the immediate Israeli-Palestinian environs - poses a far greater threat to Jewish-Arab amity within Israel.

In any case, the views of Israel's Arab citizens toward the state will be determined by two factors: the degree to which their legitimate demands for equality are met by the authorities; and the course of Israeli-Palestituian relations,

One suspects that the imminent Hebron agreement indicates that the Netanyaho government has begun to learn the price of some of its misconceptions. One wonders how much more of a learning process is necessary, and what the costs along the way will be.

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using money). But bookies do understand odds, and they take them seriously. The oumbers they have come op with this time are far less alarming than the usual risk estimates, and the logic behind them is implacable. Most prophets of doom have a

professional interest in inflating. estimates of risk, whether to draw attention to the danger they most fear, or simply to themselves.

Bookies are free of such motives, and they have concluded that the risk of the human race being effectively wiped out during the next century is very small. 

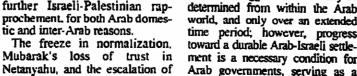
The only dangers they took really to heart were the old ones. war, disease, and the oldest threat of all - meteor bombardment. from outer space.

But global warming? The "clash of civilizations"? Comingglobal anarchy? Get real.

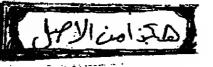
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states, to be "more Catholic than the Pope." However, Netanyahu and his advisers failed to understand that Arab steps toward nor-Certainly the outcome of Arab malization were conditioned on



ARTS&ENTERTAINMENT

#### The Jerusalem Post Tuesday, January 14, 1997

## Heady days Reviving the innocence of rock 'n' roll

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#### By DAVID BRIM

The soundtrack to the Tom Hanks film That Thing You Do is at times reminiscent of those great old National Lampoon musical parodies which captured imitations of famous rockers in wicked detail. It works simultaneously as a whimsical period piece and a solid offeriog of topnotch British invasion-era rock. Hanks and company have the genres down pat, from the Phil Spector girl-groop sound of The Chantrellines and the instrumental surf rock of The Saturn 5, to the punky garage rock of The Vicksburgs.

You can tell they bad a great time making this record. Then of course you have The Wonders - who are pretty wooderful. If yoo've been listening

#### That Thing You Do

#### **THE WONDERS** and others DIMC)

to the radio the past coople weeks, you may have thought a long-lost Beatles song had beeo unearthed.

"That Thing You Do" perfectly eocapsulates the innocence and excitement of those heady days when rock 'n' roll was opening up new doors for listener and performer alike.

Their other offerings do not fall far behind the verve of the title soog, with "I Need You" in particular possessiog the qualities most retro-power poppers . would die for. While a number of musicians

are credited, incloding John Mellencamp drummer Kenny Aranoff, and NYC vocalist Mike The and of the human race' it's unlikely

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Viola, it's more fun to think of The Wonders and their other fictional label mates as real people. Perhaps the major accomplishment of this project is that it will induce a new generation of fans 

Tom Hanks (third left) and The Wonders to the '80s (Van Halen, Joe giants like REM, Pearl Jam to investigate the endless trea-Walsh, Def Leppard) to the '90s sure prove of mid-'60s rock. (Suede, Pearl Jam). Gould also injects a homey co-Left of the dial

One of the few pleasures of a Hebrew adeptly. receot enforced vacatioo in Galilee was the chance to acquaint myself with Kol Rega, country. the Afula area's local radio statioo, and its great Sunday night

programming. Beginning at midnight, a North American immigrant oamed Mike Gould transforms the station into the equivalent of a US classic rock statioo, with a slant towards beadbangers.

you can hear the gamut from the .... The relative commercial fail-to match their debut efforts, 70s (Led Zeppelin, Pink Floydles, are of: 1996, releases by rock think for a second of MC the state of the s

and Hootie & The Blowfish

is probably the best air style, mixing English and thiog that It's oot quite college radio, but could it's a refreshing taste of the old happen the to industry.

Waiting for a Miracle A recent New York Times feafans. ture warned that the golden era of the music industry has passed by, with fragmentation in the pop world resulting in the decline of mega-million selling blockbusters. I say good riddance.

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Hammer and the oext releases by The Fugees Тгасу and Alanis Morrissette are going



Michael Jacksoo's Thriller, theo it can begin nurtur-

such singularly talented individuals as Neil Young, Elvis Costello and Bruce Springsteen

would probably never have been allowed to develop into major artists if they had started in the '90s, because they would have been dropped from their labels

If we're ever goiog to find the Youngs and Costellos of today, the record companies will have to drop their illusions of a "next big thing" and once again start looking for the "next gifted 

The company will take ZINa to

Festivals, as well as performances

in Prague and in Saloniki, Greece.

In September, BD will go to

BD's NIS 9.6 million budget for

1997 represents little change in

received last year. The money has

to cover BD's expenses and that of

the six-year-old offshoot, the

and Anaphase.

iog original artists. One article in a recent music have settled respectively into magazine accurately states that ... thingstime

after only a record or two.

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Israel's jubilee in dance

## DANCE REVIEW Treading shallow water

#### By ORA BRAFMAN

Three ducts saved an otherwise dreary evening with the Bat-Dor company.

One can always count on Nils Christe to come up with a wellthought-out work, coherent structure and clean spatial lines.

## Sync; Shirashirim; Ring. Bat-Dor Dance Co. Nils Christe, Philippe Trehet, Ania Brud. Noga Theater, Tel Aviv

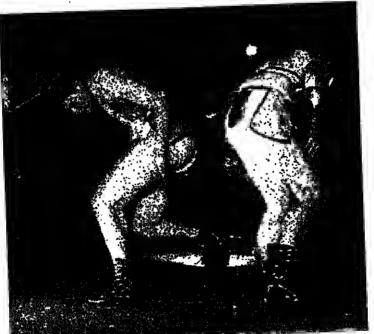
His ability to produce an aesthetic stage environment regularly results in work containing some merit. In Sync, his latest work at Bat-Dor, this happened, with the duet by Miriam Kescherman and Vladislav Manayenkov. The third duct in Shirashirim,

by the French choreographer Philippe Trehet, and danced by

Nikki Johns and Manayenkov, spiced up a work that was otherwise lacking in the energy demanded by the choreographer. Trehet builds his work on intensive, waves of awareness released by looseness of limbs. This tension was missing most of the time, as passages of intensity were smoothed unnecessarily, possibly because the company's dancers were unprepared for the choreographer's subtleties. Brud's Ring salutes a variety of

martial arts and contact sports, from the Brazilian Capoeira movement to Chinese circus. A funny yet delicate duet by Nina Aptekar and Alexander Mishak captured the complexity of a warm, human relationship.

Bat-Dor's evenings are never too bold or daring. The name of the game is playing it safe; the consequence is treading shallow water.



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The Batsheva Dance Company's 'Z/Na' by Ohad Naharin is about to embark on an international tour.

#### By HELEN KAYE

A new full-length dance hy artistic director Obad Naharin will be the centerpiece of the Batsheva Dance Company's 1997 season. The work, as yet untitled, will open Israel's 50th birthday celebrations in Tel Aviv.

The projected premiere is one of four new choreographics that the company will mount during the '97 seasoo.

The other choreographers are Edouard Lock, Amanda Miller, who has worked extensively with Frankfurt Ballet's William Forsythe, and Jiri Kylian of the Netherlands Dance Theater, with which Bstsheva has had an ongoing 10-year collaborative relation-

they build themselves. production, the first of its kind in Israeli dance. A 40-minute version Paris and Amsterdam in March. will premiere at NDT in Holland The summer tour of Europe will in October, and BD will present. take in the Innsbruck and Salzburg the evening-long work at the Tel Aviv performing Arts Center in November. Kylian has also authorized the performance of his No Tokyo for the first time with ZINa Sleep until Dawn of Day, a dance he created for NDT3, NDT's over-40 company.

The BD/NDT collaboration is real terms from the NIS 9.1m. it part of Batsheva's ongoing and determined international outreach. Another longterm project involves collaboration between companies, choreographers, and festivals in Canada, Belgium and Holland. Naharin is currently shuttling between Tel Aviv and Amsterdam where he's working on music for his piece with Orkater, two

Batsheva Ensemble. Conceived as an incubator of young talent for the parent compaoy, the ensemble has become a vibrant entity in its own right, and "it frustrates me that the establishment is unwilling to support in young mosicians who create and independently," says Naharin.



#### CONCERT ROUNDUP Red Sea requiem wows the crowds pomposity and heaviness than In the Liturgica Festival, the combined choirs (of the Bavarian,

Stuttgart and Leipzig Radio cho-

The Red Sea International Music Festival, starring the Kirov Opera's music director Valery Gergiev, was one of the most

exciting musical events in the annals of Israeli culture. The first such joint event between Israel and Jordan, it hosted concerts, in Eilat and Aqaba, which went down especially well concert-lovers who traveled from Tel

Berlioz's dramatic Aviv. symphony Romeo et

Juliette, oot an easy work to either perform or listen to, was much appreciated. Gergiev conducts in an unconventional way - without a baton and he creates sensational clusters of sounds. And his is a first-rate orchestra, featuring many young-

The real highlight was the Verdi Requiem. This was a requiem for SICTSthe soul, a prayer from the bottom of the heart, pure music making in which orchestra, chorus and four excellent soloists created a majes-Michael Apenstadt tic aura-

ruses)' opening to Brahms's German Requiem, conducted by Lorin Maazel, bordered oo

the miraculous. The Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra's playing was impecca-bly consolidated and sensitive. This was a performance that created a rarefied musical as well as a profound spiritual experience.

Valery Gergiev

Kirchditmold choir from Germany, conducted by Michael Gerish, produced an amazingly soft, mellow and

caressing sound, except for occasional high notes of the sopranos. The enunciation was clear coough to render the texts intelligible even in the most involved contrapuntal settings. Mendelssohn's psalms were performed in true Romantic style, with abundant ouances of

The Kantorei Kassel-

dynamics. Samson sounded vital and energetic under conductor Nicholas McGegan, with less of the usual

and Harapha - the cast's outstand-Handel performances are often The chief hero was the Scottish

National Orchestra Chorus. Obviously feeling at home in this music, its vast yet well-rounded mass of sound and enthusiastic, exciting climaxes personified Handel's and the work's grandeur. an inspired conductor. The soloists did not. Except for baritone Klaus Mertens, as Manoa

## **TOWER RECORDS' TOP 15**

THIS LAST WEEKS ONWEEK CHARTSARTISTTITLEWEEK WEEK CHARTSARTISTTITLE#128TONI BRAXTONSECRETS#219SPICE GIRLSSPICE#3148V/ASPIRIT OF THE WORLD#3148V/ASPIRIT OF THE WORLD#465NO DOUBTTRAGIC KINGDOM#556EHUD BANAIOD MEAT#556EHUD BANAIOD MEAT#6420RAMI KLEINSTEINCOLLECTION#6420RAMI KLEINSTEINCOLLECTION#6420RAMI KLEINSTEINCOLLECTION#6420RAMI KLEINSTEINCOLLECTION#6420RAMI KLEINSTEINCOLLECTION#6420RAMI KLEINSTEINCOLLECTION#7113V/ABEST OF THE BEST OF#7113V/AGREATEST HITS#839RITAGILECTION#9842RITAGILECTION#10714SIMPLY REDGREATEST HITS#11214RONIT SHAHARSHALOM LATMIMU#121036GEORGE MICHAELOLDER#13127JULIO IGLESIASTANGO#14184FRIENDS OF NATASHALIVE#15RE1CAT STEVENSVERY BEST OF
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#### ing personality. In the title role, tenor Jamie MacDougall was disappointing with his strained and uncommunicative voice. But the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra proved that its frequently concealed potential for polished, even glamorous playing can be realized under the direction of Ury Eppstein

associated with.

## **BUSINESS&FINANCE**

Tuesday, January 14, 1997



in brief

#### Ministerial meeting on privatization postponed

The planned ministerial meeting scheduled for yesterday to discuss companies to be privatized during the coming three years, was postponed because of the prime minister's diplomatic commitments. A spokesman from the Prime Minister's Office David Harris said a new date has yet to be set.

#### Meridor leads delegation to Jordan

Finance Minister Dan Meridor travels to Jordan today for talks with Crown Prince Hassan, Prime Minister Abdul-Karim Kabariti and other senior ministers on regional economic development. Seventeen civil servants and businesspeople areaccompanying Meridor, who was invited to Amman by the David Harris crown prince.

#### **Orna Bery appointed chief scientist**

Industry and Trade Minister Natan Sharansky yesterday appointed Dr. Orna Bery the new chief scientist to replace Yehoshua Gleitman, who recently became the ministry director-general. Bery comes to the post from the private sector, where she was the copresident of Orner. David Harris

## **Central Bank: Slowdown** continued in fourth quarter

#### By GALIT LIPKIS BECK

Economic activity in all major industries fell during the fourth quarter of 1996, following two quarters in which it remained unchanged, according to the Bank of Israel's sea-sonal survey of companies' activities published vesterday. The survey of 650 companies shows that the most signif-icant decrease was registered in hotel, trade and construc-

icant decrease was registered in note, trade and construc-tion companies, most of which already suffered from a slowdown in the third quarter of the year. A decline in local market sales was registered in the industrial sector, for the first time since the wave of immi-grants in 1989, but productivity and industrial exports remained virtually unchanged. The signs of lower industrial activity were reflected in a drop in labor force and a reduction in supply of raw materials.

Most of the smaller industrial firms surveyed reported a

decline in productivity, while medium-sized and large firms reported stability.

The electronics and electricity branch registered a growth in productivity and exports. The most exceptional drop in productivity was detected in the food and beverage field; while the mining and mineral field suffered a drop in exports. Local market sales fell sharply in the textiles, met-als, vehicles, paper products and printing fields. In the trade sector, 61 percent of the companies surveyed reported that growth was stemmed because of the "eco-

reported that growth was stemmed because of the "economic situation in Israel."

In the construction sector, most of the companies reported a drop in building, especially in construction starts, con-tinuing the trend from the second quarter. The larger firms reported unchanged activity, while the smaller firms report-ed a drop in production prices in dollar terms. Most of the companies surveyed blamed the decline in their business on

a decrease in demand and credit limitations. In the tourism sector, most of the hotels reported a con-

tinued decrease in activity. In related news, industrial exports totaled \$16.99 billion

in 1996, up 5.2% from the same period last year, according to the Ministry of Industry and Trade. The most exceptional pace of growth was detected in the high-tech sector, especially communications eqoipment and

medical control equipment. The more traditional labor-intensive sectors, like textiles, registered a drop in exports. Exports of diamonds rose 3.8% last year to \$4.09b. from \$3.94b. the previous year. Exports to Europe grew 4% in 1996. Exports to England,

Holland, Belgium and Ireland expanded while exports to Germany, Italy and France fell. Exports to the US and Canada rose 8% in 1996, similar to the previous year's growth rate. Exports to Japan fell 10%.

## Intel seeks tax exemption for R&D center

#### By JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

The Ministry of Industry and Trade has received a request from Iniel Corp. for a two-year tax exemption for its research and development center, a ministry spokesman said yesterday.

Headquartered in Santa Clara, California, Intel, a market leader in the microcompuler components industry, has invested \$100 million in the center in Haifa. The branch is responsible for developing the company's most recently released Pentium computer chin.

A committee at the Ministry of in Industry and Trade is currently evaluating Intel's request as well as the efficacy of granting such exemptions to international companies willing to set up local R&D centers.

If the ministry decides to grant a \$1.6 billion factory in Kiryat tax exemption to Intel's R&D cen-ter, it would set a precedent that 38% investment grant, or

leading high-tech companies, such as Applied Materials, Analog Devices, Sandisk and Samsung, bave set up local R&D centers over the past few years, these companies did not receive tax exemptions.

On average, these companies' investments in R&D centers totaled less than \$5m., a fraction of Intel's invertment.

chip, which improves the way video, audio and games work on personal computers, and processes real-time video and audio more effectively than earlier chips, the R&D center in Haifa became known as one of Intel's worldwide leading development centers.

Intel is currently building a

experts said. Although several of the world's

After developing the MMX PA Planning Minister Nabil Shaatb (left) and Finance Minister Dan Meridor (right) approve a regional economic cooperation plan at the Treasury yesterday from the Center for Middle East Competitive Strategy. Egypt and Jordan are also participating in the project. (Ariel Jerozolimski)

## Shaath, Meridor launch regional business project

BY DAVID HARRIS

Cooperation Minister Nabil promise of more money from its

Keil steps up bid for Hapoalim

#### By GALIT LIPKIS BECK

US investor Jeffrey Keil is to meet with government officials this week to discuss plans to purchase Bank Hapoalim, after having successfully raised about \$500m, through a private place-ment in the United States, one month ahead of schedule.

The government is offering for sale control of Bank Hapoalim, the country's largest bank, as part of its privatization program. The Prime Minister's Office receatly predicted a sale agreement would be reached before the end of 1997.

Keil recently raised \$500m. through a private placement in New York, launched in order to recruit investors for the limited partnership. US investment bank Lazard Freres, which is associated with Keil, invested \$250m, and a large insurance conglomerate, controlled by businessman Joe Steinberg,

invested the remaining sum. Keil, who in the past served as president of the Republic New York Corp., is scheduled to meet with MI Holdings, the government firm in charge of selling the state's banks,

and the Bank of Israel this week.

Fishman does not take part in the consortium, MI Holdings will be required to publish a new tender for the sale of Bank Hapoalim.

According to the Keil-Lazard Freres partnership terms, Keil will serve as chairman of the bank and also be responsible for its management. The consortium is expected to apply for the Bank of Israel's approval for the purchase in the next few weeks.

The consortium's heads already control some of Bank Hapoalim's shares. About one month ago Keil purchased 3% of Bank Hapoalim from Hevrat Ha'ovdim for \$52m. while Fishman acquired a 4.9%

share about three years ago. The Keil group's representative in Israel, Fishman, and the Bank of Israel were not available for comment

**India: Trade with Israel** 

Capital market sources forecast the Keil group will submit a bid to purchase a 35% stake in Hapoalim, in partnership with Israeli businessman Eliezer Fishman, who initially submitted a bid to purchase control of the bank with other investors. Assuming



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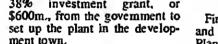
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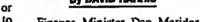
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Finance Minister Dan Meridor and Palestinian Authority Planning and International

Shaath held their first joint news conference last night to launch the Middle East Competitive Advantage project under the auspices of the newly formed Center for Middle East Competitive Strategy.

The scheme, funded by the Dutch government but with the

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through raising productivity and global competitiveness in industry. The program, the brainchild of Havard Business School professor Michael Porter, will initially compile research data to establish a benchmark assessment of each member. This will be followed by concrete national action plans in prioritized areas and prepare recommendations for regional coop-

eration. In addition to the center's staff, tative teams for each of abers have also been set Israeli team is lead by ector-general Haim Ben-

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gyptian group is headed nomy and International tion Ministry first under-Faouk Shakweer, the an coordinator is deputy Minister Samih Abid; and Jordan's senior representative is one of King Hussein's political advisers, Ali Kassay.

## to triple by 2000

#### By BATSHEVA TSUR

Trade with India, excluding military deals, is expected to triple by the year 2000, a senior Indian official said yesterday. Trade volume totalled \$600 million in 1996, with a slight surplus of Israeli exports. A large expansion in trade can be expected over the next two years, particularly in the spheres of agricultural products, chemicals and high-tech, according to Foreign Ministry deputy director-general for Asia Itzhak Shelef. "There is a basis for doubling

trade in the next two years," he said. Both sidea bave committed themselves to advancing economic cooperation, following President Ezer Weizman's visit to India.

"We now bave to capitalize on the goodwill generated ... there will be more visits by businessmen and we can expect further progress in about six months," an Indian source said.

Extensive cooperation is known center employing Elbit's magnetic to exist between the two air resonance imaging technology.

forces, and Weizman promised to look into an Indian request for the posting of an air attache to Delhi. During a visit to the Bangalore region, Weizman visited an air force base, military industries and India's space center - the last two, unaccompanied by journalists.

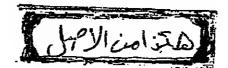
Despite ongoing media speculation in both countries about a possible free trade agreement, no such document was signed during the visit. However, other agreements

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were concluded on technical,
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Price of tender documents: NIS 2,989.00 (including VAT),

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The guarantee must be valid until May 15, 1997.

g. Perticipation in the tour for contractors, the date of which will be announced separately. The bidders are requested to submit the documents included in paragraphs (a) and (b) on purchase of the tender documents.

Only personnel with the appropriate security clearance and approved by the Corporation will be permitted to perform the work.

The tender documents and additional details may be obtained at the offices of the Tender Department -Projects Construction Division, 16 Hahashmal St., Tel Aviv (11the floor), Tel. 03-5678691/728/770, from 7.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. until Tuesday, January 21, 1997.

The tender documents will not be on sale after that date.

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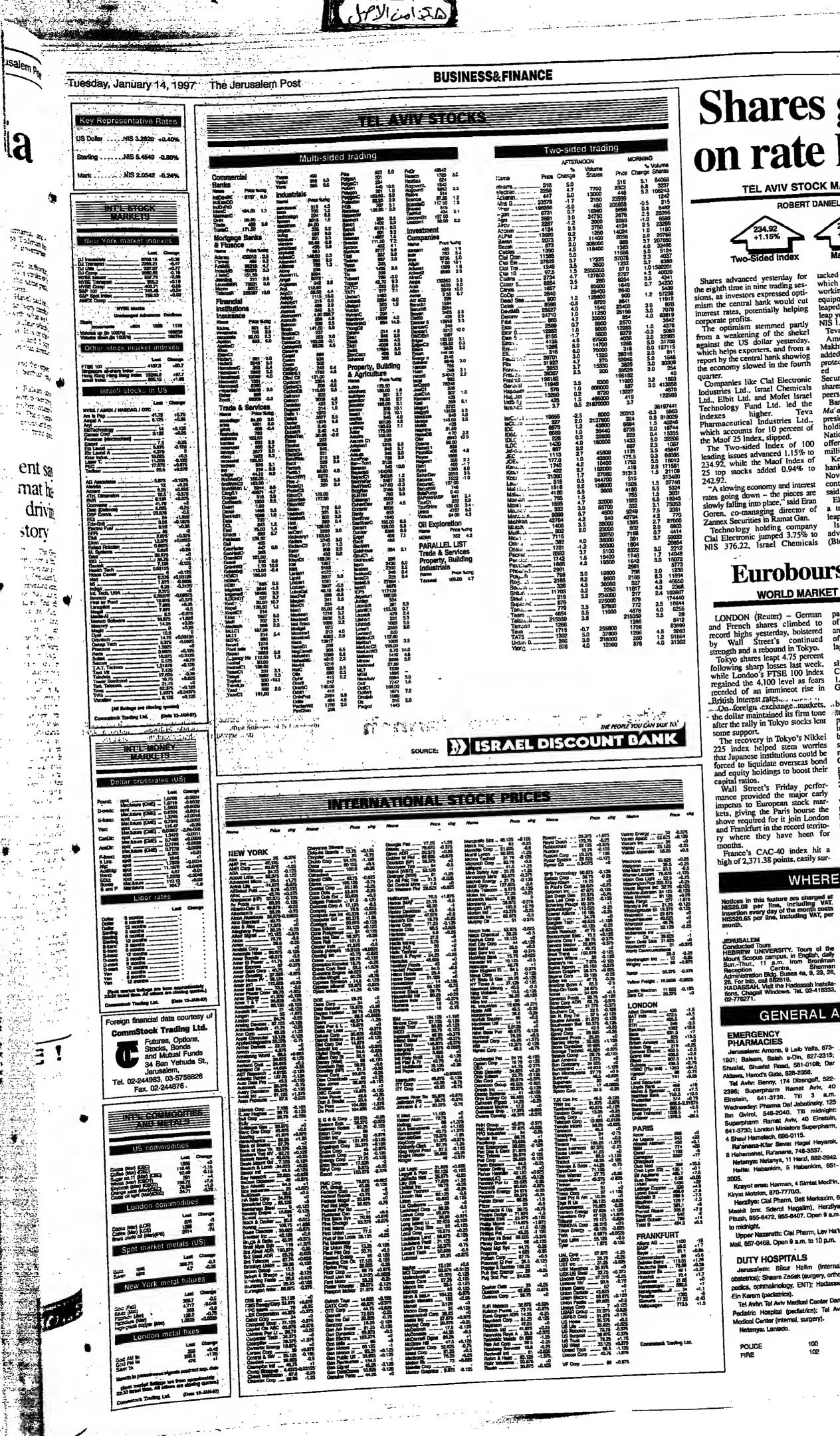
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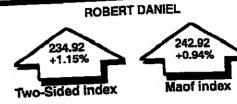
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Shares gain on rate hope TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET



Shares advanced yesterday for the eighth time in nine trading sessions, as investors expressed optimism the central hank would cut interest rates, potentially helping corporate profits.

The optimism stemmed partly from a weakening of the shekel against the US dollar yesterday, which helps exporters, and from a report by the central hank showing the economy slowed in the fourth quarter. Companies like Clal Electronic

lodustries Ltd., Israel Chemicals Ltd., Elbit Ltd. and Mofet Israel Technology Fund Ltd. led the indexes higher. Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., which accounts for 10 percent of the Maof 25 Index, slipped. The Two-sided Index of 100

leading issues advanced 1.15% to 234.92, while the Maof Index of 25 top stocks added 0.94% to 242.92.

"A slowing economy and interest rates going down - the pieces are slowly falling into place," said Eran Goren, co-managing director of Zannex Securities in Ramat Gan. Technology holding company Clal Electronic jumped 3.75% to NIS 376.22, Israel Chemicals

tacked on 2% to 3.27, and Elbit. which produces computer-networking and electronic-inspection equipment, among other things. leaped 4.75% to 8.6, after an 8.5% leap yesterday. Mofet climbed 6% NIS 1.47.

Teva declined 0.75% to 17.15. Among other movers. Makhteshim Chemical Works Ltd. added 2.25%. The maker of cropprotection chemicals was upgraded yesterday hy Zannex Securities. The firm called the shares cheaper than those of its US peers.

Bank Hapoalim rose 1% to 5.76. Ma'ariv said Jeffrey Keil, former president of the New York bank holding company Republic National Corp., closed a private offering designed to raise \$500 million.

Keil, who bought 3% of the hank from the Histadrut in November, is considering a bid for control of Hapoalim, the paper said.

Elron Electronic Industries Ltd., a technology holding company, leaped 4.5% to 41.35.

Israel Land Development Co. advanced 4% to (Bloomberg)

### **Eurobourses** gain WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON (Reuter) - German and French shares climbed to record highs yesterday, bolstered by Wall Street's continued strength and a rebound in Tokyo. Tokyo shares leapt 4.75 percent following sharp losses last week, while Londoo's FTSE 100 index regained the 4,100 level as fears receded of an immineot rise in

the dollar maintained its firm tone after the rally in Tokyo stocks lent some support.

The recovery in Tokyo's Nikkei 225 index helped stem worries

passing the previous trading peak of 2,360.98 set in Fehruary 1994 and underlining the receot strength of the French market, which has lagged its main European rivals.

Although the market later slipped off its highs, the blue chip CAC-40 index was still up oearly 1.5 percent at 2,361 points at 1500 GMT.

German shares also opened bourse made at record highs before trading was disrupted by technical prohlems. The 30-share DAX odex ended floor trade firm. buoyed by Wall Street, the stronger dollar and German deht market. The DAX index of leading German shares ended up 21.56 points or 0.73 percent at 2,954.95,

which the market saw lessening

the prospect of an early rate rise,

that Japanese institutions could be forced to liquidate overseas bond and equity holdings to boost their hut off its trading high of capital ratios. 2,961.25. Tame inflation data in Britain,

Wall Street's Friday performance provided the major early impetus to European stock markets, giving the Paris bourse the shove required for it join London and Frankfurt in the record territory where they have heen for

months. France's CAC-40 index hit a high of 2,371.38 points, easily sur-

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helped push London stocks sharply higher. The FTSE 100 index surged nearly 50 points to regain the 4.100 level before investors pegged it back a few points in the afternoon session. WHERE TO GO TEL AVIV

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### **Defending champ Becker** Match-fixing trial for crashes out; Graf, Chang win soccer trio begins today

WINCHESTER (AP) - Two days after helping Zimbabwe to a shutout victory in a World Cup quali-fier, Bruce Grobbelaar lines up in court today alongside fellow soccer stars Hans Segers and John

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Fashanu in a match-fixing trial. The 39-year-old former Liverpool and Southampton goalkeeper is accused of giving or receiving cash to rig the results of certain Premier League matches in the biggest scandal in English soccer in 32 years.

"I am very confident," Grobbelaar said before Saturday's 3-0 victory over Togo in Harare. "Everything will be cleared. If you go to court and listen, you'll get the full story ... People will realize at the end of the day what the real story is, and it will all come out in couri."

Also standing trial at Winchester Crown Court are two former Wimbledon players - Dutch goalkeeper Hans Segers and striker John Fashanu - and Malaysian businessman Heng Suen Lim.

Grobbelear, Segers, Fashanu and Lim are charged with conspiring to give or accept gifts of money as inducements to influence the outcome of games.

Grobbelaar, now with Plymouth in division two, is also charged with corruptly accepting £2,000 from former business partner Chris Vinceot as an inducement or reward for fixing a game.

The offenses allegedly occurred between 1991 and 1994. Police have not identified specific games in the charges.

If convicted, all three players face jail sentences and life bans from the game in the biggest scandal since 1964 when Peter Swan, David 'Bronco' Lavne and Tony Kay were jailed for four months and banned for life.

The scandal broke in November 1994 when Vincent made the allegations to the tabloid Sun oewspaper. Vincent also turned over a video tape allegedly showing Grobbelaar accepting a package of money from him and allegedly explaining how it was possible to fix the result of a game.

Vincent, who is likely to be the chief prosecuting witness at their trial, has since been charged with attempting to pervert the course of justice by offering to drop his testimony in exchange for payment. His case will be heard after this one.

MELBOURNE (AP) Struggling with the heat and Carlos Moya's deep. looping shots, defending champion Boris Becker couldn'r make his backhand behave, gradually lost his forehand and let a 2-1 lead in sets slip away

With his 5-7, 7-6(7-4), 3-6, 6-1, 6-4 loss yesterday, the error-prone Becker became the first major

#### Ran advances

Eyal Ran beat Justin Gimelstoh (US) 6-3, 7-6(7-4). 3-6. 6-4 yesterday to advance ro the second round. The 154th ATP-ranked Israeli will face Dennis Van Scheppingen (Netherlands, 112th) who upset Zimbabwe's Byron Black (59th) in straight sets 7-6(7-5), 7-6(7-3), 6-4

#### Padres make pact Ra'anana upends with Japanese team Galil SAN DIEGO (AP) - Is the next and 167 strikeouts.

#### By ELI GRONER

Maccahi Ra'anana continues to be one of the pleasant surprises of the National Basketball League. Last night's 69-64 home-court victory over Galil Eiyon propelled the league new-Elyon propelled the league usw-comers into fourth place in the standings. The loss kept David Blatt's club in third place due to point differential.

Ra'anana garnered the victory by making fewer mistakes than the northerners. For that, coach Arik Shihak should thank reliable veteran Paul Thompson, whose 20 points and solid work on the defensive end helped confound Galil all night long.

Galil had its opportunities though. Early in the game, Andrew Kennedy and Jason Dixon proved unstoppable as Galil jumped out to an early 13-8 lead. However sloppy play and seven first-half turnovers quickly allowed the hosts to get back into the game. Eight consecutive points hy Tomer Steinhauer (18 overall) gave Ra'anana a 25-21 lead and the hosts never looked back.

player who could walk in and have an immediate impact," Padres owner John Moores said, "Again, In the second half, with the advantage 38-33, Ra'anana guard Koren Amisha was poked we haven't signed him. We'll conin the eye and had to leave the tinue discussions. It's an exciting shouldcred more of the offensive responsibilities, and the Ra'anana lead grew. Galil Elyon did not die easy, however. Every time in the second half that it appeared that Ra'anana would pull away into a double-digit lead, Gur Shelef or Dixon would provide a glimmer of hope by converting important baskets. Both scored 17 points in the game, including four consecutive three-pointers hy Shelef at one point. But it was not to be for the northerners, who have yet to win on the road this year. But team. Shlomo Glickstein, will be one thing is clear. Both teams in a delicate situation Thursday will have to raise their respecwhen Israel hosts Uzbekistan in a tive levels if they want to finish friendly game in Kiryat Shmona. the season where they are cur-Glickstein, recently appointed as advisor to the Uzbek Davis Cup rently situated in the standings.

Hideo Nomo coming to San Diego? As part of an unprecedented working arrangement with the

The Padres said Sunday they

pitcher, Hideki Irabu.

12-6 with 2.40 ERA.

and begin negotiations."

left-handed pitcher.

In return for the negotiating

rights to Irabu, Horimoto said the

Marines gained the right to negoti-

ate with Padres infielder Jason

Thompson and an unidentified

At least five other teams were

"I think he's a potential marquee

interested in Irabu, most notably the New York Yankees, although

none had negotiating rights.

the last two years. He is 59-59 with a 3.41 ERA in his career, which included a rough first five Chiba Lotte Marines of the years, but then saw him dominate Japanese Pacific League, the the last three seasons. Padres have acquired negotiating The Marines use the Padres' rights to Japan's latest standout spring training complex in Peoria, Arizona, where Moores saw the 6-

foot 5 pitcher last spring. "He is a big man and throws very hard," Moores said. have already started talks with the 27-year-old power pitcher, and that he might visit San Diego in the near future. In 1996, he went Apparently, he is incredibly popular with the Japanese."

Irabu was the league ERA leader

Padres presideot Larry Lucchino "I feel thankful that the club was in Japan to finalize the deal. gave me a chance to play in the US major leagues," Chiba spokesman Yuji Horimoto quoted irabu as saying Sunday. "I will consult with (agent) Dan Nomura and begin negotiations." Meanwhile, the New York Daily News reported that Nomura is seeking \$6 million a year for Irabu.

"That's the one big stumbling block for us," a Yankees source said. "How do you pay that kind of money for someone who's never pitched over here?" The News also reported that Irabu has had some mysterious injuries recently and is said to have a drinking problem which

will bear monitoring. The working relationship also includes the Padres accepting up to three Chiba Lotte prospects to play in their system, the Padres acceptiog one coach to study American methods and an exchange of scouting information.

casualty in this Australian Open. He also became the tournament's first defending champion to lose in the opening round since Roscoe Tanner in 1977.

The inuroament's 1995 champion, France's Mary Pierce, escaped a first-round loss wheo she rebounded for a 3-6, 6-2, 6-4 victory over Elena Likhovtseva, the Russian who eliminated her in the second round here last year. Pierce let four match points slip away at 5-3 in the final set and fell behind 0-40 in the next game before triumphing.

A number of prominent players. including women's defending champion Monica Seles, already were missing before opening day because of injuries or fatigue. Another three players were

injured yesterday, including Janetie Husarova of Slovakia, who crumpled to the court with a twisted knee after trying to change direction to volley a passing shot by top seed Steffi Graf. Graf, leading 5-1 at the time and the winner by default in just 22 minutes, brought ice and prepared a bandage while waiting for a trainer to arrive.

Michael Chang, the men's No. 2 seed and a finalist here last year, also played nurse, contributing a wet towel to the treatment of a ball girl who collapsed in the 90-degree hear. Meanwhile, he needed just 97 minutes to beat Belgium's Kris Goossens 6-0, 6-3, 6-1

his 135th-ranked opponent 7-5, 6-4, 6-2 in 100 minutes.

The slightly built British righthander has raced up the rankings in the past 12 months from 99 this time last year to bis current standing of 14th in the world.

The 22-year-old was initially drawn to encet Mark Philippoussis in the first round but received a stroke of luck when the powerful Australian withdrew from the tournament on Sunday with an arm injury.

Henman, who reached the quar-

Moya, who gained confidence by beating Becker indoors in Paris . last year in their only previous meeting, said he thought the weather was a key in Monday's 3½-hour match.

"I'm still young," said the 20-year-old Spaniard, who is ranked 25th to Becker's sixth: "I was also tired, but I think be was more tired."

Last year; Becker, 29, had to struggle from behind in five-set matches in his first two rounds en route to the title.

errors to 51 for Moya, but was

well ahead in winners - 78 to

The heat was a problem, said

career title here.

Becker said tennis anthorities had overreacted in using softer balls in efforts to slow down the game, but he acknowledged that the balls weren't the reason for his

Women's' seeds who a part is yesterday included No. 3 Conchina Martinez of Spain, a 6-0, 6-2 winner over Miniam Oremans of the Netherlands; No. 10 Brenda Schultz-McCarthy of the Netherlands, a 6-2, 2-6, 6-2 winner over South Korea's Park Sung-

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CHILLING OUT - Boris Becker seeks relief from the seering heat during match with Carlos Moya. Moya knocked the defending champ out of the 1st round of the Australian Open. (Reuter

Tuesday, January 14, 1997 The Jerusalem Post



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The Netional League has disqualified Happel Safed. The learn is currently appealing the ruling.

### NCAA urged to put athletes first

NASHVILLE (AP) - Executive director Cedric Dempsey, in an extraordinary address opening the NCAA convention, urged schools Sunday night to stop worrying so much about themselves and show more concern for athletes.

"Much of our legislation ... has heen hased npon maintaining a level playing field," Dempsey told more than 2,500 delegates from more than 900 NCAA schools.

"Because we fear that someone else may somehow gain some slight advantage, we put the level playing field principle first."

Dempsey urged delegates to approve a measure to allow athletes to hold jobs during the academic year, an idea which has been beaten down at earlier couventions.

Irabu is described as the Nolan Ryan of Japan, because he has 1.111 strikeouts in 1,101% innings in his eight-year career. In the last three years he has had 239, 249

THE LOCAL SCENE

By HEATHER CHAIT

Captain of the national tennis

team, will be on a less familiar

side of the net this time. The

appointment came after Glickstein

agreed to millionaire Sasson

Khakshouri's request to assist in

the coaching of the Moslem coun-

Representing Israel are Eyal Erlich and Nir Welgreen, with

Amit Naor as coach. From their

training camp in Israel, the

Uzbekis are set to fly to China for

try's tennis players.

the Padres spring training complex as they have since 1995, and there's a possibility of US-Japanese baseball games, including a "World Cup of Baseball."

Glickstein's 'delicate situation'

world champion Tony Allcock is also in Rabkin's section.

The £90,000 tournament will be

Ten Pin Bowling: The national

held from January 20 - February

championships, for under 14-year-

olds, was held in Beersheba on

Saturday. With the winner of the last three years. Yahav Rabin, now on the nacional youth team.

the alleys were open for a new

champion. Winning the boys event

was Yonatan Geller from Ramat

Gan with Idan Burger, also from

The girls section was won by

Moran Yunitzman from Holon.

with Libby Raskin from Netanya

Golf: Winning this week's alliance two-best ball stableford

event at Caesarea were Chuck

Shaikowitz, Clive Josset, Max

Ramat Gan, in second place.

the ruoner-up.

Briton 101-1011 iim Henma stormed into the second round with a straight-sets victory over Romanian qualifier Andrei Pavel. Henman, who is unseeded. overcame a tentative start to beat

Shapiro and Basil Kaufman. They

Shaikowitz started with 13

pars, Kaufman had 11 and Shapiro managed 10 pars and a

birdie. Just behind them oo 86

points were Rena Levy. Dick

Fogelson, Leslie Ben Amir and

Jules Cuburnek. Io third place

with 85 were Zev Abraham, Efie

Been, John Gainsford and Mike

of the country's centers were in

action at Ramat Hasharoo's

Couotry Stables in the third in a

series of six championship league

Winning the Intermediate

League was the home team while

Liron's Jockey Club Stables won

blue rosettes for placing first in the

Advanced League and the Junior

Show-jumping: Riders from 10

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trials.

scored 87 points. 15 under par.

Wimbledon, is shaping up for a possible third-round clash with second seed Michael Chang, but must first beat France's Guillaume Raoux.

Becker, who was seeking his 50th Mighty Ducks top Canucks,

The Ger

Rangers beat Devils behind Richter's 33 saves

VANCOUVER (AP) - Teemu brief history. Selanne and Paul Kariya scored second-period goals as the Anaheim Mighty Ducks beat the Vancouver Canucks 3-2 Sunday night for their third straight vic-

Selanne notched his 25th goal of the season - the fifth straight game in which be bas seored --and Kariya added a power-play goal.

Kariya broke a 2-2 tie by converting a rebound at 10:12 after Vancouver forward Gino Odjick was assessed a double minor for deliberately high-sticking Jason Marshall.

Brian Bellows scored the other Aoaheim goal as the Mighty Ducks improved to 17-21-5 in their bid to gain a playoff position for the first time in the club's

The Canucks (20-21-1) were outshot 41-23. Goaltender Kirk McLean managed to keep it close.

Rangers 3, Devils 0 Wayne Gretzky set up a pair of third-period goals to break open a close game and goaltender Mike Richter made 33 saves to lead New York Rangers to a home victory.

Richter's sbutout, his third of the season and 17th of his career, stopped a two-game losing streak for the Rangers.

Gretzky set up Ulf Samuelsson 57 seconds ioto the third period for a 2-0 Rangers lead. Gretzky and Luc Robitaille worked a give-and-go 1:54 later to make it

Only games scheduled.

and NO 10 Appelmans of Belgium, who beat Czech player Helena Sukova 6-2, 6-2. No. 11 Judith Weisner of Austria lost 4-6, 6-3, 10-8 to Ruxandra Dragomir of Romania,

Palmer enters **Mayo Clinic** for treatment

NEW YORK (AP) - Arnold Palmer was at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, vesterday to determine a course of treatment. for prostate cancer.

The 67-year-old golf great learned Friday that a biopsy indicated he had cancer. He left the La Costa Resort and Spa in Carlsbad, California, where he was attending the PGA Tour awards dinner at the Mercedes Championship, and returned to his Florida home on Saturday.

"His mood is good but he is subdued from his normal demeanor," said Doc Giffin, a longtime friend. Giffin said Palmer, an avid pilot, flew himself to the renowned clin-

ic on Sunday. Prostate cancer is a slow developing cancer that can be successfully treated if detected early.

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their Davis Cup tie, with Glickstein probably accompanying them. Rughy: Israel started off well on the first day of the Rugby World Cup Seveos qualifying touroa-ment in Uruguay by besting Paraguay 12-11. Things went sour afterwards as the team lost 19-15 to Trinidad and Tobago and then was devoured by Western Samoa which won 68-0. On the next day,

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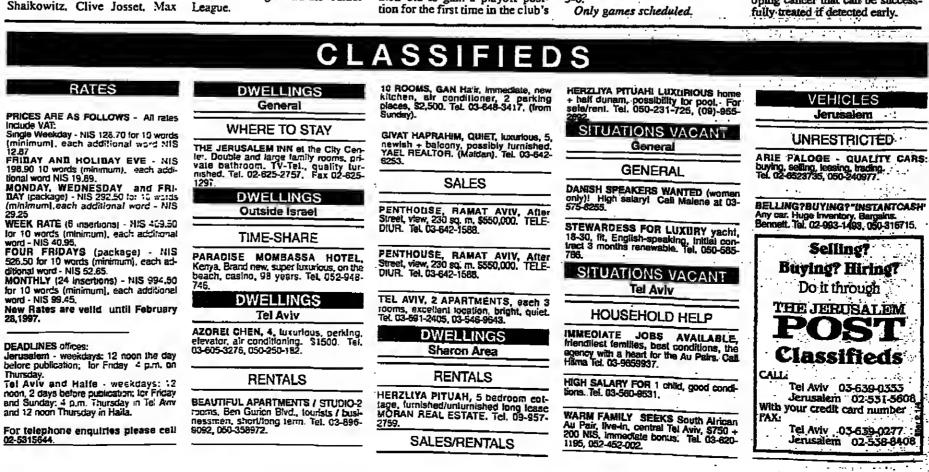
only win, beating them 26-0. Manager and coach of the team was Jeremy Schauder with players Eran Fink, Yitzhak Tsephardia, Darryn Pincus, Guy Dotan, Zevulun Kaye, Adrian Weinzinger, Nick Henri, Alex Tkachenko. Yitzhak Azriel and Avital Eliasov.

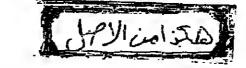
The five countries that qualified for the 24-nation event in Hong Kong in March were France. Western Samoa, the Cook Islands, Japan and Argentina. Bowls: Runner-up at the World

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Jeff Rabkin, will now have a DEADLINES offices: chance to prove he is an allbelore publication; for Enday 4 p.m. on rounder. Rabkin leaves for Preston, England, this week to join Thursday. Tel Aviv and Halfe weekdays: 12 noon, 2 days before publication; for Friday and Sunday: 4 p.m. Thursday in Tel Anv and 12 noon Thursday in Halla. the world's 32 best bowlers in the World Indoor Championships.

Playing on a carpet, Rabkin will face title-holder David Gourlay of For telephone enquiries please cell 02-5315644. Scotland in the first round while





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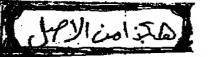
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### CLASSICAL MUSIC

#### MICHAEL AFZENSTADT

The Jerusalem Rubin Academy of Music and Dance celebrates the end of the first semester with a series of four special programs presented by the Academy's own performing ensembles. Tonight the Academy Chamber, Orchestra, under Avner Biron, plays music by Ibert, Wiesenberg, Beethoven and Boccherini. Tomorrow's program focuses on 17th-century composer Salomone Rossi. On Thursday the Academy's symphony orchestra under Aharon Harlap performs selections by Mozart and Dvorak, and the celebrations come to an end Saturday with the Academy opera workshop production of Porgy and Bess directed by Assaf Levin. All events take place at the Wise Auditorium of the Hebrew University Jerusalem Givat Ram campos and start at 8:30.

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Mozart's fourth violin concerto and Vaughan Williams's The Lark Ascending. Tonight at the Tel Aviv Museum and tomorrow at the Henry Crown Symphony Hall in Jerusalem (8:30).



#### HELEN KAYE

Playwright Edna Mazia's beautifully crafted plays force ins to look at things and events. we'd rather avoid. A Family Story follows the history of a Heidelberg family from 1935 to the mid-70s in Israel. Sandra Sadeh stars, and Omri Nitzan has deftly directed. On the Cameri mainstage at 8:30 p.m. (Hebrew with simultaneous translation into English.)

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(Isaac Harari) S. 84

vatek, who also leads the orchestra in Messiaen's L'Ascension, Quarre Meditations - strangely content. The icy, ominous calm of Symphoniques, Janacek's Sinfonietta and the director's earlier works has given way to Haydn's 49th symphony. Tomorrow (8:30) and something else warmer, lighter and - almost -Haydn's 49th symphony. Tomorrow (8:30) and something else warmer, lighter and - almost -Thursday (7) at the Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv. Mendi Rodan leads the Israel Sinfonietta Beersheba in Beethoven's seventh symphony and accompanies violinist Micaela Martin who plays Mozart's fourth, violin concerto and Vaughan fragments form a moving chronicle of what fragments form a moving chronicle of what can only be described as an elderly filmmaker's last-ditch attempt to pack in as many potent images and emotions as he can before he dies. With additional direction by Wim Wenders. John Malkovich narrates. (English, Italian and French dialogue. Hehrew and English subtitles. Not recommended for childe la station dren.) ---

#### TELEVISION ELANA CHIPMAN

• A documentary on the life of MK Shlomo Benizri, The Judgment of Shlomo, provides a rare insight into the world of Sephardi newly religious and the process they undergo. The pro-gram follows his life from a secular upbringing in Haifa, to religion, and Shas's spectacular victory on the streets and in politics. This timely program places before us two worlds and culmres - Benizri and his still-secular family. problems, Michelangelo Antonioni's latest film (in Produced by Chaim Yavin and Yaffa Ashrov. all likelihood his last) leaves one quiet and Channel 1 at 10 p.m.

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#### I VOICE OF MUSIC

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## Hanegbi: Livnat must apologize for 'slander'

#### By EVELYN GORDON

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Justice Minister Tzahi Hanegbi yesterday demanded a public apology from Communications Minister Limor Livnat. for accusing him of telling the cabinet that Supreme Court President Aharon Barak had supported Roni Bar-On's appointment as attorney-general.

Meanwhile, three Labor MKs yesterday demanded an urgent meeting of the Knesset State Control Committee to discuss Hanegbi's "conflicting versions" regarding Barak's response the appointment. The three were faction chairman Ra anan Cohen, Moshe Shahal, and Ephraim Sneh.

Hanegbi called a press conference at the Knesset to show reporters his letter to Livnat and one page from the protocol of Friday's cabinet meeting. According to this page, Police Minister Avigdor Kahalani asked Hanegbi whether Prime Minister Netanyahu had Binyamin approved Bar-On's appointment.

Yes," Hanegbi replied, according to the transcript. "I also informed the president of the

Supreme Court, and of course l also informed the atiomey-general, who welcomed it, and he will help him carry out the necessary transition peri-In his letter to

Livnat. Hanegbi wrote: "I was astonished to hear, on the Seeing the World program a few days ago, Israel Television

reporter Michael Doron

say that you 'distinctly remember Hanegbi saving he received the blessing of the Supreme Court president' for attorney Bar-On's

ment might have been avoided. "I feel very badly for attorney Bar-On, who through no fault of his own has been badly injured. and has paid the heaviest price of all - except, of course, for the price paid by the Government of Israel." she wrote. Hanegbi told reporters he hopes to have a replacement candidate for Bar-On soon. This candidate will be chosen "via another review of the same candidates" from

blame for the fiasco, saying that

had her proposal to delay the vote

by a week and give the cabinet

time to study the issue been

accepted, the ensuing embarrass-

he said He added that he does not intend to repeat the procedural mistakes made with Bar-On. His recommendation will be announced to the press, and cabinet ministers will be given the candidate's curriculum vitae at least two days in advance, he said.

among whom Bar-On was chosen.

However, he blamed the press and the opposition for its unfair treatment of Bar-On, saying they had "utterly disqualified him with out giving him a chance to show what he could



Tzahi Hanegbi

Usaac Hararit ous] leftist government whose resignation 1 did not demand twice a week," he said. "I iotend to act exactly as they did.'

Flowers for the postwoman Civil Service chief slams Ben-Yair's pension demand By EVELYN GORDON ous job. Ben-Yair claims his career Outgoing

attorney-general Michael Ben-Yair's demand for a percent pension violates the 91 law and would cost the state an extra NIS 3 million, Civil Service Commissioner Shmuel Hollander told the Knesset Law Committee yesterday. Ben-Yair has been insisting that

his contract with the state, which he drafted himself, mandates a pension equal to 91% of a Supreme Court justice's salary, even though

70% pensions are the rule. Hollander said all the jurists he has consulted on this matter - in the Treasury, the State Attorney's Office and the Civil Service Commission - have agreed that there is no legal basis for Ben-Yair's claim. The attorney-gener-

should be considered as one job for some purposes and two jobs for others, depending on which interpretation is most beneficial to him, Hollander said. It is only because the two jobs are considered one that Ben-Yair's pension will be even 70% of a Supreme Court justice's salary, which is about NIS 35,000 a month. If they were two distinct jobs, he would get only 21% of a Supreme Court justice's salary, plus 70% of the much lower salary of a district court judge.

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"This is not a small benefit [for someone retiring] at age 54," said Hollander. "According to our actuarial calculations, this is a benefit worth some NIS 7m."

Giving Ben-Yair 91% of a

## For MKs, the toughest cut is their pay

#### By LIAT COLLINS

The Knesset House Committee vesterday failed to reach a decision on the hardest cut of all - MKs' salaries.

The committee met with Finance Minister Dan Meridor who asked the MKs to eschew the 6.9 percent rise they voted themselves last week. Meridor stressed that such a wage hike would force increases throughout the public sector through linked wage agreements. He said be also feared the effects would be felt in the private sector. MKs from Yisrael Ba'aliya, on

the initiative of Yuli Stem, said they would forego the raise. Stern called on the committee to decide to accept only the cost-of-living increases received by all salaried employees. 'This year is a year of

and if someone doesn't like the wages, they don't have to run around the country competing to get into the House." Ze'evi made his support for Meridor's request cooditional on ministers also agreeing to forego their wage increase. He suggested that MKs who rarely turned up for the Knesset should have the days off dedocted from their monthly

MK. Shevah Weiss (Labor), former Knesset Speaker, repeated his support for leaving decisions on wages and pensions to an outside body, like the Rosen-Tzvi committee which last year gave them a 33% wage hike in return for giving

up the right to moonlight. MK Meir Sbeetrit (Likud) strongly favored the wage, bike saying it is not unreasonable, par-

Likud faction chairman Michael

National Religious Party MKs

asked for the vote to be postponed

to enable them to meet with their

faction to decide how to act.

Winning cards In yesterday's daily Chance drawing, the winning cards were the nine of spades, the jack of hearts, the ace of diamonds and the 10 of clubs.

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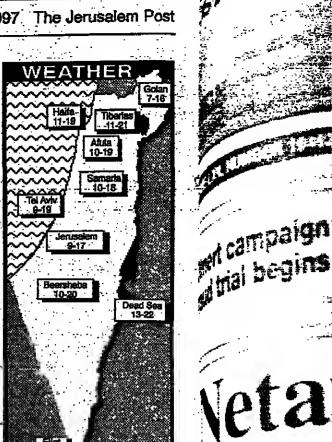
The issue of restitution for Polish Jewish communal property seized during the Holocaust will be discussed here today when Polish, Prime Minister Wtodzimierz Cimoszewicz arrives for an official visit.

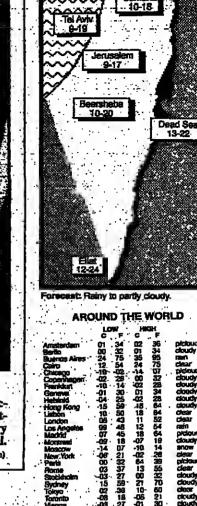
Earlier, the World Federation of Polish Jewry had published a statement expressing dismay over the Polish government's decision not to compensate former Polish Jews throughout the world. "The Jews of Poland living today in Israel and the Diaspora express their dismay and disappointment over the fact that the Polish government refuses to recognize their moral and legal rights to have returned to them properties belonging to Jewish communities and public organizations and being beld by the Poles, and its refusal to even negotiate the issue with them,

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The Postal Authority is suing the owner of the dog which bit mail deliverer Rivka Livni while she was at work, authority director-general Moshe Tery said while visiting her at Kaplan Hospital in Rehovot Livni underwent plastic surgery after being bit-ten nn her upper lip and she will need additional operations in the future. The anthority is very concerned for its workers, Tery said, and plans to give Livni all the legal and emotional help she needs, along with a free week of vacation at a local hotel. (Text: Judy Siegel, Photo: Ilan Ossendryver/Israel Sun).





appointment as attorney-general. "The transcript of the cabinet meeting... demonstrates unequivocally that you misled the television reporter, whether intentionally or not

Hanegbi told the press conference that. "This is a slander which should never have been uttered. In my opinion, this is a classic illustration of what happened with this entire appointment - a lack of desire to know what really happened.

Livnat promptly responded with an angry two-page letter, in which she implied that Hanegbi had deliberately misled the cabinet. The statement that Barak had been informed was sandwiched between statements saying that both Netanyahu and Ben-Yair approved, she wrote, which made it easy for the listener to assume that Barak had approved as well. Livnat wrote that Hanegbi is to defamation of character.

Meanwhile, Acting Attorney-General Edna Arbel told Army Radio yesterday that Bar-On's decision to resign was a correct one. "I think that from his own point of view and that of the [legal] system, this was a correct step; although I thought, and I told him so, that it was possible to wait for the decision of the [High] Court "But he wanted to save himself

and the minister - who certainly had only good intentions toward him - all the embarrassment and unpleasantness; and of course the government as well."

Bar-On yesterday told Army Radio that those who had accused him of being a compulsive gambler were "first-class liars" and warned that they would be made to pay for their smear campaign. To this end, he said, he intends to sue writer lrit Linor for libel and

al's salary and working conditions are defined as being identical to those of Supreme Court justices, and the law clearly states that their pensions cannot exceed 70%, he

said. Hollander admitted that exceptions to this rule are possible if one receives a pension from two completely different sources. For instance, a civil servant who was later appointed a judge could have pensions from both places, which might together total more than 70%.

Ben-Yair reckons he is enuiled to a 70% pension for his previous service as a district court judge. plus the 21% pension he earned as attorney-general. However, Hollander said, both of these are judicial pensions, so he is no different from a district court judge who was later promoted to the Supreme Court: His entire judicial career is considered one continu-

Supreme Court justice's salary, instead of 70%, would add a further NIS 3m. to that cost, Hollander added.

Hollander noted that Ben-Yair's predecessor, Yosef Harish, was in exactly the same situation, as he was also a district court judge before becoming attorney-general. However, Harisb gets only a 70% pension. A 91% pension would be absolutely illegal, because [the attorney-general's] conditions are those of a Supreme Court justice,

and no one has the authority to give him more than that," Hollander said.

Hollander added that he objects strenuously to a proposal to bring the commission's dispute with Ben-Yair to arbitration. Ordinary retirees, who want an extra percent or two on salaries of NIS 2,000-3.000 a month, have to sue in the labor courts, he said. Ben-Yair should have to do the same.

budget cuts for all of us and MKs ticularly in view of the ban on must provide a personal example." moonlighting and the high costs of the primary election system. Stern said.

MK Yehuda Harel (Third Way) supported Stern saying: "It is unac-ceptable that MKs will ignore the Eitan proposed a compromise under which the increase would be severe cuts in the national budget added to MKs expense accounts instead of as a wage hike. This would avoid the linkage with which they just endorsed and thrust on the Treasury a beavy burden in the form of a wage rise for senior civil servants. themselves."

Moledet leader Rehavam Ze'evi also spoke against the wage hike. "MKs receive a high wage as it is,

Swiss anti-semitism mounts in Holocaust funds fight

ZURICH (Reuter) - A leading Swiss Jew said yesterday that anti-semitism was on the rise, fuelled by a government minister's accusation that Jewish groups seeking compensation for wartime suffering were trying to "blackmail" Switzerland.

Anti-Jewish feeling, long suppressed in Swiss society, is surfacing in let-ters and telephone calls to Jewish groups and virulent letters to newspapers, said Martin Rosenfeld, general secretary of the Swiss Jewish Federation.

He pinned the blame squarely on Economics Minister Jean-Pascal Delamuraz, who Rosenfeld said had made such sentiment respectable last month by dismissing Jewish groups' calls for quick compensation as "extortion and blackmail."

The whole thing arose after the comments from Delamuraz and the subsequent uproar. It had been quiet before," said Rosenfeld, whose organization is an umbrella group for the roughly 30,000-strong Jewish community in Switzerland. "There is clearly a connection."

a statement said. But yesterday, federation head Stefan Grayek said that he. together with other representatives of the World Jewish Restitution Organization, would meet Wtodzimierz and members of his entourage on the subject this evening.

Grayek said that the Siem, Poland's parliament, is considering restitution for "a mere 2.000 Jewish members of nine communities" living today in Poland. The issue is currently being discussed in a parliamentary committee, he said. The federation's statement Sunday charged the Polish govcrament with violating buman rights by refusing to enter into oegotiations to return the proper-

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